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Bellview

Mr. Tom Burkitt and his sister Miss Margaret of Frankford spent last week visiting relatives in this vicinity.

Miss Estella McComb has returned home from Tweed to spend the holidays under the parental roof.

The Sabbath School of St. Marks Church presented their scholars with Xmas prizes last Sunday which was greatly appreciated by all.

Master George Burkitt is visiting friends here during the holidays.

Miss Gladys Reid of Harold is the guest of her sister Mrs. A. Burkitt.

A number from here attended the Xmas tree at Spring Brook and all report a good time.

Mrs. S. Meiklejohn visited friends in Stirling on Saturday last.

Mrs. A. Burkitt and family were the guests of her mother Mrs. T. M. Reid last week.

Mr. and Mrs. John McKeown and Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Bateman attended the funeral of Mr. Frank Wait of Colbourne on Monday last.

Miss Gladys Eastwood and Mr. Murpey McInroy were united in marriage by the Rev. W. H. Clarke of Marmora on Tuesday December 23rd, at high noon.

Hoard's

Mrs. Ella White, Carmel, visited her sister Mrs. W. L. Anderson last week.

Miss Rhoda Anderson entertained Charles and Alex. Hoard on Wednesday evening last.

Miss Ida Thompson spent an evening last week at the home of Mrs. John Jeffs.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Donald and Miller of Port Hope, are the guests of A. H. Parr.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Anderson were guests of W. L. Anderson this week.

Mr. and Mrs. James Williams were guests of Mr. E. T. Williams Stirling, on Wednesday evening.

Irene Clancy spent Thursday evening with Ella Hubble.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter McKee and Kathleen, of Carmel, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Hoard.

Grace Jeffs is spending part of this week with Mrs. Lindsay Watson Burnbrae.

Mrs. M. E. Hoard and Mrs. W. E. Linn are guests of Mrs. George Acker, Murray, this week.

Ernest Spencer, "The Globe," Toronto, is spending his holidays under the parental roof.

A large number, every night, take advantage of the good skating on the creek.

Menie Institute

The monthly meeting of the Women's Institute was held at the home of Mrs. Jas. Stewart Sr. on Thursday afternoon Dec.18. This meeting was both interesting and instructive. Mrs. Jas. Williams and Mrs. John Thompson (Town line) demonstrated boneless turkey, taking all the bones out of the turkey and dressing it for the oven inside of thirty minutes. A solo was rendered by Miss Mildred Rannie, Miss Pearl Donald gave a splendid paper on "What Xmas means to us'. Miss May Stewart gave a reading. There was also a musical contest, Mrs. Harvey Donald played twenty-five selections of which Miss Bertha Eggleton named eighteen correctly others following closely. At this meeting it was decided to take up a silver collection at the monthly meetings for the depression of white slave traffic.

The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Lamb on Friday afternoon January 16. Mrs. W. Dawson of Parkhill will be present and give an address on "The Farmer's Wife and Her Problems" In the evening a joint meeting of the Farmer's and Women's Institute will be held in Lamb Hall. Several addresses will be given and a splendid musical programme is being prepared. Don't miss it.

The Institute wishes through the press to thank all those who have given work on the Burnbrae cemetery and is also very grateful to those who have sent donations.

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Rod and Gun

"Old Chief Nassau of Admiralty Inlet" decorates the cover of the January issue of ROD AND GUN IN CANADA, published by W. J. Taylor, Ltd. Woodstock, Ont. The leading article "An Expedition into the Arctic Regions," is descriptive of a trip to Baffin's Bay by a hardy company of adventurers led by "Lucky" Scott of Toronto, and is illustrated by some striking photographs taken on the trip. Of particular interest are the replies to Mr. Hamilton Fisher's article in the November number on "Bull Moose and their Horns;" The number is an exceptionally good one, the regular departments being replete with interesting information.

High School Examinations

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The Xmas Holidays Are Now Past And People Report generally satisfied with its trade. We are glad to know it, for we like to meet people who have a satisfying look, the world goes smoother for it. We would like to begin the New Year with good Fur Sales and we will slaughter our profits to do so. We ask you to come to the Golden Lion store and see what you can get for your money, long cold winter to come yet and good warm coats will be needed for

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A War Trick of the Great Hannibal.

When Hannibal, the great Carthaginian, was fighting Eumenes of Pergamos with a fleet of very inferior strength he hit upon an artifice which would scarcely be sanctioned by the laws of what we are pleased to call civilized warfare. He discovered by means of a bogus message under a flag of truce on which ship the king was. He then caused poisonous snakes to be inclosed in earthen jars. These he distributed among several ships and ordered them to close up on the king's galley. In the melee that followed the jars were flung unto the deck. The curious bombs were greeted at first with ridicule, which soon changed to panic when the nature of their contents made itself manifest. The galley was extricated from the fight as soon as possible, and the captains of the others, believing that the king had taken flight, followed suit, with the result that Hannibal gained a complete victory.

Entomological.

Charles had heard much at home and at school about the best way to insure good health and, although only nine years old, had taken great interest in the subject. The other day he told his mother that he wanted to go to a lecture that night. Much amused, she asked him what it was about.

"You know, mother, it is about how to take care of yourself. I can't think of the name of it, but you know."

"Maybe I do," she said, "but I can't tell unless you give me a better idea about it."

"Well, mother," he said thoughtfully, "it is about two bugs and a locust."

For a moment she was at sea, and then it dawned upon her that his "two bugs and a locust" was tuberculosis.—New York Post.

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CHANGE OF NAME

The young man entered the gate jauntily, and approached the hall door whistling. Miss Hilda Gresham, catching sight of the visitor from the window, wondered, as she hurried to admit him, what could be the reason for his exceptionally high spirits.

"I've done it!" he ejaculated. "Let me come in. Let me show you!"

He spread out a newspaper on the front-room table.

"It's always upset you because I'm called Frederick Corkloft. It's upset me, too, many a time—ever since I was a boy at school. I've had about enough of it! Besides, you as good as said you'd never marry me, owing to my surname."

"Well, yes, Fred. You see——"

"I can quite understand your objection. No one better. But look here!"

The announcement to which he pointed in triumph gave notice that he, Frederick Corkloft, thereby publicly adopted, and would thereafter be known by, the name of Frederick Clarendon.

"'Clarendon.' That sounds a bit clever, doesn't it?"

Miss Gresham, her first surprise over, beamed in approval and delight.

"But don't you have to get permission, or go before a magistrate and swear—or anything of that sort?"

"People can alter their names," he returned, "as often as they like. There's no legal formality necessary at all."

"And do you mean to say you've done this just for my sake?" She blushed and looked down. "'Mrs. Clarendon.' Why, that's perfectly lovely!"

"You like it? Then you'll have me, Hilda, really?"

"Can't very well refuse now, can I?"

While they sat close together on the sofa she inquired what had influenced his choice.

"Well, I've got my initials, 'F. C.' on nearly all my—er—clothes and things. That'll still be right, you see, and saves a lot of trouble. Where did I get 'Clarendon' from? Oh, I just thought of it, somehow. Ever since I first hit on the idea of a change—weeks ago—it's been running in my head. I don't know why."

He pondered for a while, then glanced up suddenly.

"By the way, I haven't said anything about this at the office yet."

"I suppose they're sure to poke fun at you."

"That's just it. Awkward sort of [illegible] to mention. But I've made [illegible] change, too, Hilda—my diggings. I've left Mrs. Trigg, and moved in to-day at a house in Purbright Road. Taken the room as 'Mr. Frederick Clarendon.' A complete fresh start—see?"

"You'll be nearer to—to us," observed Miss Gresham, nodding.

"Ah! Only ten minutes away."

Broaching the important subject of their future financial position, he reminded her of the fact that an elderly relative, a great-uncle of his, had recently died.

"Shouldn't wonder, Hilda, if he's put me down in his will. Not that I was a favorite with the old boy—quite the contrary. He couldn't bear the sight of me. But then, he hadn't any other relations that I know of. He was comfortably off, too."

"Anyhow," Miss Gresham murmured, with modest reserve, "you want me to fix the day, do you? I'll think it over."

The young man stayed to supper, departing at a late hour. In a condition of ecstatic happiness he walked towards his new lodgings.

Reaching Purbright Road, he opened the door with his key. To his amazement his trunk, which he had left in a corner of his bedroom, now stood in the hall. As he stopped frowning, the landlady appeared.

"You're not in bed yet, then, Mrs. Mildmay."

"No; nor are you, my beauty—nor ever will be in this house!"

She advanced furiously, and slipped between him and the hall door. He stared open-mouthed.

"Lucky for me I found you out in time, Mr. Frederick Clarendon! Lucky I picked up this old newspaper in the kitchen and read about your goings-on! Charged with defrauding landladies, were you, and got a month for it! You stop for six weeks or so, and then scoot off without paying a ha'penny; that's your little game, is it, 'Frederick Clarendon'? Here it is in print."

It was some time before the young man could speak. Perturbed and bewildered, he realized that he must have remembered the name "Clarendon" after perusing the accounts of this police-court case. Then he had adopted it without recollecting its disreputable owner.

Horrified, he set about the task of explaining. Mrs. Mildmay listened impatiently to his very unconvincing statement. She gave a short, incredulous laugh.

"So your real name's Corkloft, and you just chose Clarendon because it sounded nicer? D'you really expect me to swallow a yarn lik that?"

"I can show you the advertisement I inserted in this morning's——"

His jaw dropped as he fumbled in his pockets. He had left the paper with Miss Gresham.

"You just get a copy, Mrs. Mildmay, and you'll understand at once."

"H'm! Think I'm going out to buy one this time of night, even supposing I believed all that rubbush? Just step inside!"

As soon as he entered the sitting-room the door was locked behind him. Mrs. Mildmay, in triumph, called out that she was sending for the police. Finding himself a prisoner, first he blustered, then began to plead. Finally he heard her descend to the kitchen.

Half an hour passed before the key was turned. He saw her burly husband and son regarding him angrily.

"They've persuaded me to let you go," said Mrs. Mildmay sulkily. "After all, you've done no harm here—yet. Be off, now; and let this be a lesson to you. Put this box on the pavement, Joe."

Protesting and arguing in vain, he was hustled into the street. In blank despair he realized his unpleasant position. It was just on midnight, and he had no pillow on which to lay his weary head. He left his trunk, which was too heavy to carry, and walked dismally to the corner. Presently a ramshackle four-wheeler rattled past.

"Double fare, this'll be. Where to?" queried the elderly driver sleepily.

Hesitatingly he gave Mrs. Trigg's address. But, when that lady had at length been roused from slumber, she assailed him with shrill indignation.

"You leave this mornin' for no reason whatever; now you come back in the middle of the night and expect to be taken in again! Well, I'm very pleased to say I couldn't do it if I wanted to. I've let your room."

She withdrew her head for a moment.

"This came for you by the last post. 'F. Corkloft, Hesquire.'" An envelope dropped from the window. "Take it, and go away, and don't come disturbing respectable people!" The window slammed.

Picking up the letter, he retreated dazedly.

"You're a bit of a suspicious character, seems to me. Let's see the color o' your money before we goes any farther," suggested the cabman coldly. "Um—ah! Well, what's the next place we visits on this 'ere trip?"

The young man only possessed one bachelor friend living in the neighborhood. In response to a series of agitated knocks, Mr. Charles Wrench descended in pyjames. His speech of welcome was more forcible than polite.

"Oh, come in, then, if you've really nowhere else to go. But don't expect luxuries, pray. You'll have to make do as best you can."

Gratefully and apologetically the visitor accepted this grudging hospitality. But an hour later he was still crouched, stiff and shivering, in an uncomfortable armchair. Sleep seemed impossible; and suddenly he remembered his letter.

He got up and lit the gas.

Twice he read the solicitors' communication; twice he made an incoherent comment.

The shock overwhelmed him. He collapsed. Subsequently, turning the matter over in his mind, he became slightly hysterical.

His great-uncle had left him the whole of his fortune remaining after certain donations to charities had been duly paid.

"Provided always that you agree forthwith to adopt our late client's name as your own."

"'Dabchick'! Why, it's worse than 'Corkloft,'" the young man groaned. "And 'Ebenezer,' too! Oh, my goodness!"

Morning found him a pale and hollow-eyed wreck. Declining a share of Mr. Wrench's breakfast, he went off wearily to business.

During his luncheon hour he called at the lawyer's office. The partners were out, but a head clerk assured him that the conditions of the will must be strictly complied with.

"And you've got to prove your identity first—prove that you're Frederick Corkloft, I mean."

"But I'm not. I'm Frederick Clarendon. Didn't you see the notice in the paper?"

"Phew!" the head clerk whistled. "The wrong man!"

"No, no; only I'm known as Clarendon now. Don't you understand? I—I——"

"Frederick Clarendon? Notice in the papers? Why, yes; the case was fully reported. I remember. So you're the chap who did a month for defrauding?"

Pawing the air, the young man struggled wildly for speech.

"Look here, hadn't you better make a clean breast of it all?"

Gradually the situation was explained.

"Anyhow, you'll have to change your name," he was reminded portentously.

"But—but—but I've just changed it, I tell you!"

"That's your own fault. Tut, tut! Better call again when you're calmer."

During the afternoon his work suffered considerably. At the earliest possible moment he left the City and sought Miss Hilda Gresham.

"I can't be 'Frederick Clarendon,' else my character's gone," he spluttered. "Now they w-want me to be 'Ebenezer Dabchick'! Did you ever hear of such a thing?"

His fiancee was firm. No person with such a name as Dabchick should lead her to the altar.

"But, Hilda, dear, think of the money!"

"How much?"

"To tell the truth, I forgot to ask."

"Well, I notice you don't consider my feelings in the slightest, Fred. 'Dabchick,' indeed. Yet," she added, "for the sake of a fortune—several thousand pounds—I'm half inclined to put up with it."

Next day he visited the solicitors again, and satisfied them that he was Mr. Dabchick's relative. That matter settled, he stammered an eager question.

"The legacy will amount, roughly speaking, to fifty guineas or so."

"That—that all?" he choked.

"Eight charitable institutions each get five hundred pounds. After various debts are paid and our account settled——"

"Only fifty guineas for calling myself 'Ebenezer——'"

"Ah!" the senior partner murmured. "The change of name will necessitate a Royal licence. At least that is the course usually adopted in such cases. Application must be made to the Home Secretary; and the stamp duty on such a licence is fifty pounds. You must understand, however, perhaps in this instance——"

"That's done it. Good-morning!"

Seizing his hat, he gave a snort and departed.

"I might have known," he reflected bitterly, "that old great-uncle Eb had something up his sleeve. He hated me like poison. Oh, I might have guessed!"

On the same evening he displayed to Miss Hilda Grtsham considerable firmness and decision.

"Just listen, now. No more 'Frederick Clarendon' for me. I won't be 'Ebenezer Dabchick,' either. I'm going back to my own proper name. So there you are!"

When she started to protest, he banged the table.

"Make your choice. Am I good enough for you? Will you be Mrs. Corkloft, or will you not? Yes or no, if you please."

"All right," assented Miss Gresham, in an unusally subdued voice, "I will. If you put it like that, of course——"

"Then get your hat and coat on, and give me a kiss," requested Frederick Corkloft, smiling relievedly, "and we'll go round and look at some furniture shops."—London Answers.

Simple Barometers.

If on picking up your newspaper in the morning it displays a tendency to tear almost on its own account, a downpour of rain is not far off. Rain is also presaged when the contents of a salt cellar are in a moist and cloggy condition. At such times your bootlaces have a more than ordinary tendency to snap, and your kid gloves will have a cold, clammy feeling and will be difficult to pull on. Even the walking stick, or umbrella, will act the part of a barometer. The handles before the rain will reveal a slight deposit of moisture and be sticky to the touch. In this way the question whether it is the wiser to take a walking stick or an umbrella on leaving home will be settled for the observant person by an inspection of the articles themselves.

RICHEST MEXICAN AND HIS GRANDDAUGHTERS.

May Lose All His Riches.

General Louis Torrazas, whose lands comprise nearly the entire State of Chihuahua. He has 15,000,000 acres. The picture shows him seated with his two granddaughters. General Villa has threatened to confiscate all the Torrazas property .

MODERN CHIMNEY FELLING

HOW IT IS DONE IN LANCASHIRE, ENGLAND.

Is High "Art" and Dangerous Work—Thousands Watch the Spectacle.

"The art of chimney-felling" may perhaps seem rather a romantic title for so prosaic and matter-of-fact a calling; yet there is very little romance and a great deal of art in the dropping of one of these towering monarchs of the air within the limited space of, say twenty yards or so. Cannot be done, you say? But it can. Listen.

Monster Chimneys.

To see the "art of chimney-felling" at its best, however, one must go to any of the textile manufacturing towns in either Yorkshire or Lancashire. Here is where a correct definition of the word "towering," applicable to factory smoke-stacks, is given, in defiance of any other manufacturing city or town in the world; for there are to be seen some of the highest chimneys extant—one in particular, about four miles from Manchester, being a little over 500 feet in height, with a base the diameter of which is said to be around 50 feet. The average height of a stack in Lancashire, England, is about 250 feet.

Reason for Height.

The specific reason for these stacks being so high is on account of the congested state of the cities and towns. If the stacks were not built high the enormous quantity of black smoke which daily pours forth from the top of them would be detrimental to the health of the inhabitants. And it is owing to their loftiness that so many of them soon show the marks of time and stress of weather; also their constant swaying in a high wind soon causes the bricks to become loosened, and repairs have to be made if the stack is to remain in a state of safety. But the time eventually arrives when the expenditure upon repair work becomes too heavy a burden upon the mill-owner, and he becomes careless. Here, then, is where the building inspector steps in. He notes the unsafe state of the stack, orders it to be repaired, and, if this is not done, condemns it.

Old Style and New.

As fashions change in the matter of clothing, so has the fashion changed during the past twenty years in the methods of razing these condemned chimneys. The style of twenty years ago ruled that the chimney wreckers should start to raze a stack from the top downwards. The old method was to take brick hammers and chisels and take the bricks off singly, but as this was a slow and laborious process—a year often being consumed in the razing of a single stack—it was found expedient to adopt more modern methods.

The modern method is to start in at the bottom. Contrary to the custom in the old days, when the work was done by day labor, the custom now is to take a job on contract.

When the time arrives for the razing of the condemned stack, the contractor gets together his crew of six expert chimney wreckers, and starts in on the job. First, he sets a number of them to work with chisel-bar and sledge, cutting into the base of the brickwork. In this manner panels, large enough to admit of the insertion of huge balks of timber are cut out all around the base. When all the panels are cut and the timbers inserted, work is begun on the remaining panels. These openings are then treated in the same manner as the others, until the towering fabric is simply resting on a wooden foundation.

Burning the Base.

The timbering completed, preparations are made for the actual felling of the stack. First the interior of the stack's base is filled with old rubbish, in the shape of straw, sawdust, kindling wood, barrels of tar and kerosene, and such like combustible material. This done, the exterior is prepared in like manner. Quantities of this material are also littered around so as to be handy to get at when the fire needs replenishing.

Chimney Felling.

The time for felling arrives. It is to happen on Saturday afternoon, and the word has gone forth throughout the city of what is to be. Consequently, around the time set for the felling, thousands of people are to be seen wending their way toward the spot where the event is to take place.

The hour draws nigh, with every point of vantage seized by the excited onlookers. House-tops are everywhere decorated with humans; watching faces crowd each other through upstairs bedroom windows. None save the wrecking crew are allowed within the factory limits.

Presently a shout goes up from the crowd—the match has been applied to the pyre at the base of the stack. Everyone watches breathlessly as the flames leap into the air, but none more breathlessly than the contractor, who, probably, may have been offered a bonus of two hundred and fifty dollars if he drops it within a specified radius.

Like a Pack of Cards.

Everywhere within the mill yard hustle is predominant. The wreckers rush to and fro incessantly, snatching up the littered material around them, and hurling it into the devouring flames.

"Look! It's going," shouts a spectator, as a puff of black smoke shoots suddenly from the top of the stack. The stricken stack begins to tremble as the flames burn away the wooden base; it suddenly shivers; it tilts a little to one side, speedily rights itself, then——

Crash!

"Dropped her in a twenty-eight yard space," cries the contractor exultantly, as he winds up the tape-line after measuring the debris. "Extra pickings for all of us, boys." And the boys grin.

HOME

Tested Recipes.

Mock Angel Cake.—Mix and sift four times one cupful of fine granulated sugar, one and one-third cupfuls of flour, three tablespoonfuls of baking powder and one-third teaspoonful of salt. Pour on gradually while serving constantly two-thirds cupful of hot scalded milk.

Pineapple Bavarian Cream.—Two tablespoons granulated gelatin, half cupful of cold water, one can grated pineapple, half cupful of sugar, one tablespoon lemon juice, whip from three cups of cream. Soak gelatin in cold water. Heat pineapple, add sugar, lemon juice and soaked gelatin; chill in a pan of ice water until it begins to thicken, then fold in the whip from cream, mold and chill.

Currant Muffins.—One cup milk, 2 tablespoons fat, ¼ cup sugar, ½ teaspoon salt, 4 teaspoons baking powder, 1 egg, 1-3 cup currants. Mix and sift dry materials together, add milk, then beaten egg and melted fat. Stir in currants, which have been washed and sprinkled with a little flour. Bake in a moderate oven about twenty minutes.

Hollandaise Sauce. — One-half cup butter, 2 egg yolks, 1 tablespoon of lemon juice, ¼ teaspoon of salt and 1-3 cup of water. Cook over a slow fire as you would a custard.

Eggs a la Suisse.—Four eggs, ½ cup cream, 1 tablespoon butter, salt, pepper, speck cayenne, 2 tablespoons of grated cheese. Heat a small skillet, put in butter and when melted add cream. Slip in the eggs one at a time, sprinkle with salt, pepper and a few grains of cayenne. When whites are nearly firm sprinkle with cheese. Finish cooking and serve on buttered toast. Pour cream over the toast.

Breaded Veal Cutlets.—Dredge veal with flour, dip in egg, then in bread or cracker crumbs. Brown in hot fat, cover with milk and cook in very slow oven until tender.

Meat Loaf.—This is best made of half veal and half salt pork. Mix with this the yolk of an egg and dried breadcrumbs. To be tender and juicy it must be cooked in an oven which has a very low fire under it. The white of the egg may be put over the top of the loaf to give it a glaze.

Quick Cake.—One-half cup butter, 1 cup brown sugar, 2 eggs, ½ cup milk, 1 3-4 cups flour, 3 teaspoons cinnamon, ½ teaspoon grated nutmeg, ½ pound dates, stoned and cut in pieces. Soften the butter and put all ingredients in a bowl. Beat together for 3 minutes. Bake 35 to 40 minutes.

Prune Whip.—Whites of three eggs, three-quarters of a cup of prune pulp, one-quarter cup of sugar, one teaspoon lemon juice. Beat the whites of eggs until stiff, fold in the prune pulp, sugar and lemon juice. Pile lightly in buttered baking dish and bake twenty minutes in a slow oven. Serve cold with cream. This may be served hot if desired.

Peanut Cookies.—One-fourth cup sugar, two tablespoons butter, egg, one teaspoon baking powder, one-quarter teaspoon salt, one cup flour, two tablespoons [illegible], one-half cup finely chopped nuts, one-half teaspoon lemon juice. Cream the butter and sugar together and add egg well beaten. Sift dry materials and add alternately with the milk to the butter and sugar mixture. Add peanuts and lemon juice. Drop from a teaspoon on an unbuttered sheet one inch apart. Place half a peanut on top of each and bake twelve to fifteen minutes in a slow oven.

Useful Hints.

Fried food should not be allowed to become chilled before serving.

The stove front can be painted with black stove enamel instead of blackening it daily.

Kerosene is not so explosive as it is inflammable, but it should never be brought in contact with fire.

If oatmeal is put to soak overnight in cold water it will only take half the time to cook it in the morning.

It is a good idea to put a heavy Turkish towel on the bottom of the dishpan when washing fine china or glass.

The juice of a lemon added to a pan of water will freshen wilted vegetables. Let them stand in it for one hour.

Roast pork should never be eaten by anyone with a delicate digestion. Salmon and herring are also very hard to digest.

It is a good idea to have a good-sized kitchen salt shaker filled with a mixture of salt and pepper. This saves time in seasoning.

Always push a new lamp wick through the top of a burner, wet the lighting end in kerosene, turn low and allow it to stand a day before using.

The odor of kerosene lamps can be stopped by putting one teaspoonful of fine table salt into each lamp. The salt should be changed once a month.

The term "folding," used in recipes, means the cutting down and lifting up the mixture in such a way as to distribute it over as little as possible.

Potatoes are not so apt to rot if the cellar is not kept too warm. Sprinkle air-slacked lime among them lightly to keep the light away.

To clean windows easily first wipe thoroughly with a dry cloth. Then rub with a chamois skin which has been wrung out of cold water. No further polishing is needed.

When you have roast beef for dinner save the water in which it was washed, as it is a splendid tonic for plants. Roses and geraniums especially are improved by this treatment.

To clean finger-marks on doors rub well with a piece of clean white flannel dipped in paraffin oil. The marks will disappear like magic. Afterwards wipe with a clean cloth wrung out of hot water to take away the smell.

When ironing window blinds it is important to follow certain rules to ensure their hanging well. After they have been starched fold them down the middle lengthwise and iron double, both sides together. Then open them out and iron the fold. They will then keep their shape, not stretching as when ironed singly.

Boil red beets whole in salt water until tender, drain, peel whole, scoop out small sections from top to form basket; cover with half vinegar and half water poured over hot, with a little sugar dissolved in the mixture. Fill with half carrots and half peas, which have been boiled, drained and placed in French dressing to get thoroughly chilled on ice before serving.

Something for Nothing.

Are you one of the people who spend their time in trying to get something for nothing? There are a great many such people. They are the people who always taste the cheese when they go to buy it, not because they want to know what it tastes like, but because they want something for nothing. Whenever they see free samples advertised, they apply for them. They may have no earthly use for them, but they can't let the opportunity slip. If they go into restaurants and places where pickles, bits of bread and cheese, or cloves are on the counter, they always have some, whether they like them or not. These things are hardly ever done by very poor people, but generally by those who have plenty of money. Poor people would be ashamed to stoop to the dodges which a well-to-do man will invent to save himself from spending a penny.

A Dark Shadow;

Or, A Coming Vengeance

(CHAPTER XXIV.—Continued).

The dinner was necessarily short, for the concert began at 7.30, and hurrying through the meal, the party set out in great glee.

"You look tired, dearest," said Lady Edith, leaning forward in the carriage, her hand falling into Clive's.

"Little wonder," said Lord Chesterleigh. "For the first time in my life I realize one of the advantages of being a peer—the beauty to contest an election. But it will soon be over; we shall have a big majority, and all will be beer and skittles."

"It is you who should be tired," said Clive; "and I shall be glad when it is over, for your sake. How much you have done for me!"

As he entered Clive saw his opponents, Mr. Gordon and Mr. Broddy, in the front seats. Mr. Gordon bowed and smiled; Broddy, who had Kokki beside him, scowled. As Clive seated himself he caught sight of Sara—who had, of course, come down with her mistress to Brimfield—in the seat behind him. The organ, of which Brimfield was justly proud, played an overture, and the concert proper began.

Each performer was received with unstinted applause, every song and instrumental piece was encored; and the Dowager, at the back of the platform, beamed with complacent satisfaction. Presently there was a little lull, followed by the stir of anticipation which marks the appearance of a bright and particular star.

Lord Chesterleigh, who was sitting on the left of Clive, consulted his programme.

"This is the young girl, Veronica Vernon, whom I told you I heard at Manchester," he said. "She has a wonderful voice, and is a remarkably pretty girl.—Ah, there she comes!"

The audience clapped furiously as the young, slight figure came slowly up the steps and on to the platform. Clive was looking at the programme, and did not raise his eyes until the prelude of the accompaniment had been got through and the first notes of the singer rose in the crowded hall. When she recognized Clive, she fluttered from his hand, the color faded from his face, and he sat, like a thing of stone, staring at the girl, who, with downcast eyes and modest mien, pouring out the liquid voice which he knew so well.

He sat like a man in a trance; his heart seemed to have ceased to beat, he scarcely breathed. It is said that in the moment before death all one's past life passes before one's consciousness; it was so with Clive at that moment. Every incident of the past, with which Mina was connected, rose before him, and the voice in which she had spoken to him in the church when she had rescued him in the Tate Gallery, in the grimy hall—where she had saved his life—at the bedside when she had cursed him, drowned the exquisite melody with which she was now flooding the hall.

A kind of dull amazement sat upon him. She was lovelier than ever, with all her modesty she bore herself like a young queen. In all that crowded hall there was, for him, no girl, no woman, so lovely, so bewitching.

The song ended, and was instantly followed by a burst of enthusiastic applause and shouts of "Encore!" in which even the orchestra joined. Clive glanced at the orchestra, and saw the best form of the hunchback Elisha, which he had not noticed before. No, it was no vision, no hallucination; it was Mina herself, no longer the waif and stray of the streets but a queen of song, acknowledged and acclaimed as such by an enthusiastic audience. It is not too much to say that Clive lost the sense of his surroundings, that he was overwhelmed by the sudden backward rush of memory, his senses almost in a swift tide; he realized that he had been living during the last two or three months in a kind of dream, that he had been caught in the whirl of circumstances, and driven without volition into a course of life in which his heart had no part.

Lady Edith's voice roused him from his reverie, his state of stupor.

"Why don't you clap, dearest?" she asked. "How beautifully she sang! No wonder they want an encore. Why, what is the matter, Clive? You are quite pale; are you ill?" she inquired anxiously.

Clive shook his head; for a moment he seemed incapable of speaking. There was a sudden hush—Mina Vernon was going to grant the encore. As usual, she sang "Home, Sweet Home"; and she was in the middle of the second verse, the audience listening as if entranced, with tears in the eyes of many of them, when suddenly the singer faltered, and then stopped. A kind of thrill ran through the audience; every eye was fixed on her, and it was seen that that she had gone deathly white, and that her gaze seemed to be riveted on some one or something in the middle of the front seats.

The sudden cessation of the sweet, pathetic voice, the pallor of the beautiful face, gave the audience something like a shock; and they turned and looked curiously, half-fearfully, in the direction in which her eyes were fixed. Instinctively, with a desire to go to her, Clive half rose; fortunately, other surprise had also risen, and his movement appeared to be unnoticed; but as he sank down again, he chanced to look behind him, and met the dark, piercing eyes of Sara fixed on him. There was something sinister in their expression, in the straight line of the lips; and her gleaming eyes flushed from his face to the white one of the girl on the platform.

"What is the matter?" asked Lady Edith, while similar inquiries came from different parts of the hall.

It was Lord Chesterleigh who answered. He, too, had risen. "She must have been taken ill," he said. "Poor girl!"

From the orchestra a hunchback with a violin in his hand came across the platform towards the girl; but before he could reach her—the pause had been really only one of a few moments—she had signed to the conductor, and taken up the song; and she sang it through bravely, and all the more touchingly because of the tremor in her voice. With her last note a roar of applause and cheering rewarded her courage.

The audience insisted upon calling her again and again; and she came on, led by the conductor, her face still pale, and with a grave expression in her eyes instead of the conventional smile.

The rest of the concert was a kind of anti-climax; every one was thinking and a great many talking, of the girl. The crowded audience got up to go with "God Save the King"; but Clive still sat as if in a dream; then, with a start, he pulled himself together, arranged Lady Edith's cloak, wrap about her white shoulders, and went out with the rest. Late as it was, he had a committee meeting to attend; and he told Lady Edith of this as he put her in the carriage.

"Oh, what a pity, dearest!" she said. "Can you not shirk it for to-night? You look so pale, so tired, as if you were ill."

"I'm all right," he said; and he knew that his voice sounded strange and hoarse.

When the carriage had driven off he stood, with his hands thrust in his overcoat pockets, his head bent. Was it because she had seen him that she had been startled and smitten to silence? If so, what did it mean? She did not love him; he knew that; she had told him so in the most effectual way. She was near him! A burning, feverish desire to see her took possession of him; a desire that was irresistible.

He made his way through the crowd to the corner of the street; then stopped. But the force he could not withstand drew him on, and he went round to the orchestra door.

CHAPTER XXV.

The people were coming out of the orchestra seats, and Clive stood aside to let them pass. The period of waiting gave him still further time for reflection. Why was encored to Lady Edith; what excuse had he for seeking a meeting with Mina, the girl who had refused him? What right had he to force his presence on her to cause her embarrassment, perhaps pain? There could be one answer only; but still he lingered.

The crowd began to come less, and presently a few more passed out. Inside it was dim, and a threadbare janitor, sadly dressed in the extreme of fashion, but with a hat of enormous proportions, and adorned by an ostrich feather of which the bird who originally owned it had every reason to be proud. In size and gorgeousness the hat bore a family likeness to the opulent headgear with which Clive was familiar and the sight of Tibby in all her splendor touched a chord in his heart, and recalled the past.

She leant back, surveying the crowd with the air of self-satisfaction with which a showman surveys the audience pouring out of his own mail or theatre; then she caught sight of Clive; an angry flush rose to her face, and she sprang out of the fly, said something to the driver, and pushed her way into the hall before Clive, who had raised his hat, could approach her.

Clive waited for some minutes, then went into the passage and asked the hall-keeper for aide Vernon's address.

"I think she's gone, sir," said the man. "I'll inquire for you."

He came back presently. "Yes, sir, she's gone; went out by the front entrance."

Clive realized with something like a sad relief that Tibby had been one too many for him, that she went round to the front, but the keeper had already locked the door; and Clive walked slowly to the committee-rooms. Yes; Tibby had saved the situation, and unwittingly prevented him from inflicting pain on Mina.

He tried to throw himself into the business before him; but it was with an uneasiness that he got through it, and returned to the "Royal Hart." He spent a sleepless night, counting the hours struck by the church clock—which seemed to be under the bed, so near and plainly insistent was it—and when it proclaimed seven, he rose with a bad headache, had his breakfast, and went out.

It was a lovely morning; and Clive, leaving the High Street—the errand boys, sleepy shaking the mats and sweeping out the shops, stopping to look after him with curious interest—gained the meadows outside the town. Now that the effect of the sudden sight of Mina had worn off, he realized the hopelessness, the unwisdom of his impulse of the night before; it was better that they should not meet.

And as he thus reflected bitterly he saw her.

She was walking a little ahead of him down the lane. His heart leapt and his pulse quickened as he caught sight of the slight, graceful figure; and all the old love which had only been sleeping rose within him like an ardent flame, a flame that tortured as it consumed him. She wore a plain morning frock of blue serge and a Tam o' Shanter, and she carried her gloves in her hand as if she had caught them up as she left the hotel. She was walking slowly, her head bent, a certain listlessness evident in her bearing; but as she heard footfalls behind her, she turned her head, and, as she walked more quickly; but he overtook her very soon.

"Mina!" he said quickly.

She stopped dead short, and paused a moment before she turned her head, her face flushing hotly, then going as white as death; and she turned and looked at him as if she were incapable of speech. In that moment he saw how much she had changed. He had left her a shy, almost timid girl; now, even in that moment of stress and strain, she was, though still a girl in years, a woman in her power of self-command; and her eyes, after the first moment, met his steadily.

"Mina!" he said again. She had not offered her hand, and they stood regarding each other like two beings gazing from opposite sides of a wide gulf. "I tried to see you last night. I went to the back of the hall." He knew by the expression of her eyes that Tibby had not told her that she had seen him; he proceeded to see you, to tell you how much—" He paused. How banal the words sounded! "You are well?"

"Quite well," she said very quietly.

"And—and there is no need to ask whether you are flourishing. You have brought truth to our prophecies. You are on the road to fame, are famous already." Again he felt how banal, how weak and feeble was the speech; but he struggled on. "Last night's triumph is but one of many, I suppose?"

"They are always very kind to me, yes," she said. Her voice was still low, and it did not quaver now; but her eyes were on the ground, and he knew that her heart was beating fast.

"I am so glad, so delighted," he said in the same tone, a tone meant to mask his agitation; "I did not know you were going to be here, to sing; did not know that you had become so famous."

"No?" she said.

"No. I have not heard anything of you since—" And yet I have searched for you."

"Why?" she asked gravely.

Clive looked away across the cornfields ripening to harvest. What could he answer?

"I was interested. Ah, Mina, why did you think it necessary to fly from me, to disappear, hide yourself, as if you were—yes, afraid of me?"

She regarded him with surprise, a pained surprise.

"Why should I not have done so?" she asked. "It—it could not have mattered to you whether I remained at Benson's Rents or went elsewhere."

As she spoke he noticed the change in her voice and tone. They had always been refined, but they were now marked by a savoire faire which, coupled with the dignity, "I must go. They—they will miss me, and wonder. I am sorry—no; I am not. I am glad we have met, that you have told me that you wrote, that—that you had not changed then. I am glad, because now I can think of you without pain—without shame." Her eyes sank for a moment, but she lifted them to his face bravely. "I shall never forget all your goodness to me. I can never repay it. I have not tried," she added with a touch of her wonted girlish simplicity. "And I—I wish you every happiness."

"For God's sake!" he pleaded hoarsely. "Is this the last word, is this our farewell, our real parting, Mina?" he said almost inaudibly. "Ah! What can I say?"

What could he say? Certainly he could not tell her that he was marrying Lady Edith because he was forced to do so by a chapter of accidents!

She was silent for a moment or two, then she said gravely:

"Yes, I—I hope we shall not meet again. Last night—"

"Last night!" He caught her up with what he knew to be a mean eagerness.

She blushed hotly, as if he had insulted by the sight of you, and—and—it all came back to me so suddenly, like a flood, that—that—" But it will not happen again. No; it will not affect me so again. I think now I have seen you that I shall be—more at peace."

This was too much for him. "Mina!" he cried deeply. "We must not part—we must not! I cannot! God help me, I am tied and bound, a slave, but it is not too late."

He had caught at her hand, and, grasping it tightly, drew her nearer to him. Her eyes half-closed, and he saw her quiver, and bend towards him as a flame is swayed by the wind; then, with a sob, she cry she tore her hand free, and drew back.

"No, no! Please, let me go! There are some people."

Clive turned his head angrily, and saw some persons coming down the lane. One of them was a woman wrapped in voluminous drapery, with a veil half-down across her face. It was Sara. In his surprise at her appearance, and his indignation—for it flashed upon him that she must have been spying on them—he released Mina's hand, and she passed him, and walked on quickly. As she went towards the Hindoo woman, Sara stopped, and looked at her with a fierce threatening stare; then she walked on until she came to Clive, where she stopped, and salaamed.

(To be continued.)

FRANCIS CHARLES T. O'HARA.

Canada's Deputy Minister of Trade and Commerce.

The head of the consular service of Canada is Francis Charles Trench O'Hara. That is not what he is usually called, either officially or colloquially, but that after all is

Mr. F. C. T. O'Hara.

his chief function. Possibly one reason why we do not give him that name is that we are too modest to speak of our commercial agents as consuls. In certain important legal senses of the word these representatives of Canada in foreign lands do not stand on the same footing as the consuls of Great Britain or of any other independent State. But, in a very large sense, that is what they really are. There are some twenty-six of these officers, and they represent the merchants and farmers and manufacturers of Canada in widely sundered parts of the earth. They are officers of the Department of Trade and Commerce; and the Deputy Minister of that department is Mr. O'Hara.

Though the most outstanding, this headship of the consular service is after all only one of the functions of Mr. O'Hara. He also controls the branch of the Government service which numbered the people. Under the Liberal regime the census was made by the Department of Agriculture; but when Hon. George E. Foster came in, he relieved the Hon. Martin Burrell of this part of his work. There was a good deal of justification for so doing, too, because Agriculture was a heavy department and Trade and Commerce a rather light one. At the same time it is to be remembered that Mr. Foster also lightened his labors by transferring the Government Annuities to the Post-Office. That, however, is just by the way. What concerns us here is that Mr. O'Hara is now responsible for the smooth working of the tabulation of the people. He also supervises the payment of all bounties and steamship subsidies; administers the Grain Act, which is the backbone of Western life; and as a side-line runs a general statistical bureau which keeps "tab" on the progress of Canada in trade and commerce, currency and banking, insurance and loan companies, railways and shipping.

Quiet and Debonair.

The man who does this is one of the quietest and most debonair men in the capital. Meet him in a drawing-room, and he looks as if he were made to fit the part. At first glance, you would never pick him out as one who could keep human machinery in smooth running order. But when you begin to talk to him, you find an explanation. He is reserved. He does not obtrude into the conversation. But when he is drawn into it, you see at once that he knows what he is talking about. You observe also that he is thoroughly wide-awake. There is not much that comes within the range of his notice that escapes his attention. He is small. He is quiet. But he is efficient.

It was the Western Ontario peninsula which gave F. C. T. O'Hara to Canada. He is the second son of Robert O'Hara, who was Master in Chancery at Chatham. His grandfather was a distinguished officer in the British army. Military training and legal knowledge are not bad inheritances to have in one's blood. "F. C. T."—he is usually referred to by his initials—came into this inheritance at Chatham on November 7, 1870. His experience of life, in which he learned how to deal with men, was varied. After completing his education in the local schools of his native city, young O'Hara went to Baltimore, where he studied in the Berlitz School of Languages. For some years he stood at the desk in banking offices; and no doubt it was at this time that he acquired some of his polish, while striving to live up to what is expected of the young bank clerk.

Private Secretary.

His entry into the Government service came through the door of the private secretary—an entrance which has introduced a goodly number of efficient administrators. For ten years he continued in this relation to Sir Richard Cartwright, and then in 1906 was made superintendent of commercial agencies. Two years later he became chief controller of Chinese immigration; and in the same year acceded to the position of deputy Minister.

Apart from his official duties Mr. O'Hara is a man of wide interests. He is a member of the best clubs in the capital. He plays golf. He rides to hounds. He has taken an active part in the movement initiated by Earl Grey for the improvement of Canadian dramatic and musical art. He is an author; his chief contribution to literature being "Snap Shots from Boy Life." His marriage is a striking example of how the social life of the capital disregards political lines. For while he was private secretary to one of the most aggressive political fighters in our history, he found as his life-mate the daughter of Harry Corby, one of the staunchest supporters of the opposite party. So love laughs at politics as well as at locksmiths.—Francis A. Carman in Star Weekly.

On the Farm

Lime-Sulphur and Apple Scab.

By Dr. J. B. Dandeno, Bowmanville.

Lime-sulphur was introduced at first into the New England and the Northern States as a remedy for scale insects. It proved so effective that only a trial or two were necessary to convince anyone that the scale insect pests could be entirely controlled by this substance. It was introduced into Ontario to check the San Jose scale insect on peach trees, and almost immediately it was seen that this lime-sulphur destroyed, as if by magic, the oyster shell scale, or bark louse, as it was called in this locality. The bark louse had done such destruction on apple trees in these counties that the prospect looked very blue indeed to the apple grower. Lime-sulphur, properly applied, saved the situation.

But the difficulty of the matter lies in the fact that lime-sulphur, unless applied very strong, is not a fungicide at all (apple scab is a fungus), and consequently a very poor remedy for fungus diseases, chief of which diseases is apple scab. And now that the bark louse is well under control and San Jose scale is not in this locality, the lime-sulphur becomes proportionately less valuable as a general spray mixture. Of course, lime-sulphur, if applied very strong—say one to nine or ten—it will be effective to check the blister mite and perhaps, to a very slight extent, the bud moth as well as the scab; but it must not be forgotten that lime-sulphur is no poison. It kills the scale insects because it cements them down, not because they are poisoned by it.

This year (1913) it has been clearly demonstrated that lime-sulphur did not check the scab; and, in those orchards where there was little or no scab, the reason was not that the lime-sulphur had killed it, but because there would have been none in any case.

In 1912, owing to unusually favorable conditions for the scab, it developed to an astonishing extent, in September and October, on both leaves and fruit, producing black patches and spots not penetrating the skin. This rendered the apples unsightly and unsaleable, but in no other way did it injure them. The trouble occurred in orchards shaded, poorly pruned or in a condition otherwise favorable to the disease. It then got a tremendous start in the fall of 1912, showing the results in 1913, and this accounts for its appearing here and there even in orchards sprayed with lime-sulphur. Any fruit-grower knowing the limitations of lime-sulphur may make good use of it, but he must not expect it a "cure-all" for apple scab. This will have been demonstrated to quite a number this year.

But, you ask, "What will take its place?" Bordeaux mixture. This is a certain fungicide for any fungus it can reach, notably apple scab, grape mildew, potato blight, black rot of tomato and others. Spray mixtures for chewing insects like tent caterpillar and bud moth must be actual poisons, such as paris green and lead arsenate. The reader will please bear in mind that I do not say that apple scab can not be killed by lime-sulphur. It can, but the mixture must be very strong, yet it is not a fungicide. You could kill a tent caterpillar with a hammer, but a hammer is no insecticide.

These few paragraphs are written with a view towards explanation, knowing that the farmers use the local papers, and the local papers are always ready to help the farmer. Whatever views are given here are not intended in a dogmatic manner. They are intended to explain, and the farmer or fruit-grower is sufficiently intelligent to use his own judgment.

MARVELS OF SURGERY.

Operations Which for Daring Are Match for Age of Miracles.

The clinic congress at Chicago seems the climax of modern surgery and is surely a triumph of which the medical world everywhere may be justly proud. Before a thousand experts in surgical technic there were performed operations which for their marvelous daring match the age of miracles in almost every particular, save raising the dead.

To adduce a few instances. At the clinics here conducted portions of the intestines have been removed. A piece of bone has been taken from the leg of a patient and used to mend a diseased spine. Split arm bones that would not knit have been pinned together by silver nails and screws. The entire lung of a dog has been removed and replaced as a hint of what may be the future treatment of tuberculosis. The calloused skin on the eyes of a child thus blinded from birth has been pierced. By brain operations upon prisoners the savants demonstrated the surgical cure for criminals. Spectators have watched the effects of radium mineral upon malignant growths, such as tumor and cancer. And patients under a new anaesthetic method have actually watched an operation performed upon themselves. In short, the whole clinical exhibit at this congress has been one startling feat of professional practice following close upon the heels of another.

A generation ago many of these operations which have come into actual and assured practice would have been deemed chimerical and impossible of achievement. Thanks to the assiduous study and persistent experiment of medical enthusiasts, surgical science has reached a level where none dare dogmatize upon its limits. It has, next to the laboratory, made a new era exalting medical lore and research among the mightiest excellencies of a marvelous age. Sufferers whose desperate plight was once judged hopeless have the greatest reason to rejoice over the victories of surgical research and experiment.

Good Advice.

Dentist—"Have you been anywhere else?"

Patient—"I went to see the chemist in our village."

Dentist—"And what idiotic advice did he give you?"

Patient—"He told me to come and see you, sir!"

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RAILWAY TIME TABLE

Trains call at Stirling station as follows:

GOING WEST		GOING EAST	
Mail & Ex.	6.02 a.m.	Passenger	10.12 a.m.
Passenger	6 45 p.m.	Mail & Ex.	3 31 p.m.

Local & General

The News—Argus wishes a very Happy and Prosperous Year to all of our readers and all who should be and are not, and trusts that all the latter will change and see the error of their ways during the coming year.

The managers of the Loyal True Blue's Orphanage of Picton sent out their Annual Circular of appeal last week.

The Ladies Aid of Carmel will meet at the home of Mrs Edwd. Abbott on Thursday Jan. 8th at 2 P. M. Visitors Welcome.

On Sunday Jan. 4th Mr Newton Bird will conduct the service at River Valley School house at 3 P. M.

Wm. Fox and wife are receiving congratulations on the arrival of a young son and heir at their home this week.

Keep clear Monday Jan. 12th for the great Canadian Jubilee Singers and Entertainers, colored of course. They will appear in the Opera House under Methodist auspices.

The Methodist Choir is preparing for a Song Service on Sunday evening next. The hymns used will be the favorite used in the great revivals from the day of P. P. Bliss to our own.

The candidates in the field for Councillors are J. L. Ashley, J. B. Belshaw, W. H. Cook, T. A. Eggleton, C. F. Linn, L. Meiklejohn, T. H. Matthews and D. Utman and for School Board J. S. Morton, J. T. Belshaw, Dr. Bissonnette and T. H. Matthews

Women's Institute Stirling Branch

The regular meeting of above will be held on Wednesday afternoon January 7th, in the Agriculture Rooms. Visitors Welcome. Secretary.

Did you ever know that dim lights were the style now, if Henry Street had a little dim light even they might manage the old break neck side walk.

There would be dull times in Stirling if no one got married. The folks need exercise and a little money comes handy. — Nick.

Owing to the holiday Thursday, on which day we set up most of our correspondence and local matters, a large part of such has inavoidably been left out this issue. We would ask our Correspondents as far as possible to send in next weeks items so as to reach here by Tuesday's mail.

A Good Contribution

The contribution, through the local branch of the U. C. Bible Society, to the support of this worthy organization is this year worthy of our community and we take pleasure in reporting the handsome sum of $92.00 in this behalf. This includes $7.40 from Rawdon Circuit.

Nomination proceedings at Rawdon Town Hall Monday afternoon were well attended. The old Reeve and Council were renominated and take their seats by acclamation.

After the newly elected old members had been heard Josp. Q. Green took the floor and made things lively and amusing for them present in a speech of over an hour.

The sale of Holsteins at the Jas. A. Stewart farm at Seymour on Tuesday was quite successful and the prices on the average varied good some going to quite high figures, one cow bringing out $300. another from 200. to $275, one big clyde horse bringing $600. The sale totalled somewhere about $7000.

People attended from all over, we might almost say the province some being their from beyond Toronto.

...be to the News-Argus

The St. Andrews Church Sunday School entertainment on New Years night in the Opera House was very successful the house being filled almost to its capacity, the different numbers were well received and all voted it a success in every respect. The proceeds will mean quite a handsome sum to the funds of the school. The proceeds being slightly over $100.

Wm. Zufelt of Denver Col. who was reported seriously ill and who left for California a few weeks ago arrived home last Friday accompanied by his wife and are the guests of his sister Mrs T. A. Eggleton.

His brother Frank met him at Chicago and accompanied him here leaving again for his home on Saturday, returning here again accompanied by his wife for New Years, Wm. who is somewhat improved expects to leave for Consecon to-morrow.

Farmers Meeting

A meeting will be held at the Minto Club-Room on Wednesday January 7th, in the afternoon at 2 30 o'clock at which Miss Powell of Whitby, will address the Women's Institute, and a Joint Meeting will be held in the evening, at which addresses will be delivered by Messrs Arthur Christie of Melville, Henry Grose of Lefroy, A. D. McIntosh of Stirling, and also by Miss Powell.

These meetings are open to the public and everybody will be made welcome.

Nomination Meeting

A public meeting of the electors of the village of Stirling will be held in the Town Hall, Stirling, on Monday December 29th, 1913, at the hour of 1 o'clock p.m. and remain open for one hour, for the purpose of nominating candidates for Reeve and Councillors for the year 1914, and also for the purpose of nominating Trustees to fill the vacancies on the Board of Education caused by lapse of time. The following are the names of the members of the Board of Education whose term of office has expired, and who are eligible for re-election, J. T. Belshaw, J. S. Morton and John Shaw.

Should more than the required number of candidates remain in nomination for any or all of the above offices, then a Poll will be held on Monday January 5th, 1914, from the hour of 9 o,clock in the forenoon till 5 o'clock in the afternoon.

Dated at Stirling this 15th day of December, 1913.

Geo. H. Luery
Clerk.

CONCERT

The Women's Institute of Wellmans Corners intend holding their Concert on Jan. 9th in the Orange Hall. Miss Tuite Elocutionist of Albert College Belleville will entertain. A good programme is assured. Admission 25cts children under twelve 15cts.

All are invited: Come and enjoy a treat.

THE PLAIN OF MARATHON.

Modern Aspect of the Famous Old Greek Battlefield.

Greece, though sparsely inhabited, is in the main a very cheerful looking country. The loneliness of much of it is not depressing, the bareness of much of it is not sad. I began to understand this on the day when I went to the plain of Marathon, which fortunately lies away from railroads. One must go there by carriage or motor or on horseback. The road is bad both for beasts and machinery, but it passes through country which is typical of Greece and through which it would be foolish to go in haste.

Go quietly to Marathon, spend two hours there, or more, and when you return in the evening to Athens you will have tasted a new joy. You will have lived for a little while in an exquisite pastoral—a pastoral through which, it is true, no pipes of Pan have fluted to you; I heard little music in Greece—but which has been full of that lightness, brightness, simplicity and delicacy peculiar to Greece. The soil of the land is light, and, I believe, though Hellenes have told me that in this I am wrong, that the heart of the people is light. Certainly the heart of one traveler was as he made his way to Marathon along a white road thickly powdered with dust.—Robert Hichens in Century Magazine.

Knew How to Work It.

Lady—You are about the worst looking tramp I ever saw! Soapy Sam—Madam, it is the precincts of uncommon luvliness wot makes me look so 'orrible. Lady—Jane, give this poor man something to eat.—Sydney Bulletin.

Putting It Stronger.

"I guess she loves me, all right."
"Why so?"
"She vows she'd rather be miserable with me than happy with anybody else."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

FOR New Years Day!

You will want candy. You will want good candy of course In case you bought candy elsewhere for Xmas let us suggest that you buy your New Year's candy here.

If you got your Christmas supply at Long's you know their good qualities and we will expect you back for more for the next holiday. Remember our candy is all our own make. No guess werk about it. Made by experts from pure wholesome ingredients and sold at an honest price.

We will have those three popular specials on sale again. A hard broken stick mix 10c. a lb. A lady cream mix at 15c. a lb two for 25c. And a special assortment of chocolates, lady caramels etc at 20c. a pound.

Also a nice line of homemade chocolates, nicely packed in special holiday boxes.

Be sure of good candy by buying here for New Years and all the time.

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To Our Subscribers OUTSIDE the COUNTY

A large number of these subscriptions Fall Due Jany. 1st, 1914.

To all of these Subscribers we send greetingz, wishing them a very Merry Xmas and a Prosperous, Happy New Year, and Solicit a continuance of their Favors by a prompt Renewal, or arrangement for continuance. Otherwise, paper will be stopped on expiry.

Madoc Junction

We wish the Editor and staff a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

Mr. James Vivash of Toronto spent Xmas with Mr. and Mrs. Fitchett.

Mrs. Fitchett and little daughter Mary left on Tuesday to visit friends in Picton for New Years.

Mr. Andrews is on the sick list with rheumatism. Mr. Findlay Pollard is relieving him for a few days.

Rev. E. A. Tonkin preached an excellent and appropriate sermon on "Giving" on Dec. 21st.

The school concert on the 19th was a decided success, the programme consisted of Xmas songs, drills, recitations and solos by the school, also a couple of numbers by Miss May Currie of Stirling. At the close of the programme Santa Claus arrived and proceeded to give an account of his adventures which made some of the young men very uncomfortable. He ended by distributing presents from the Xmas tree to all the scholars. Miss Mosher deserved a vote of thanks for giving the children a chance to enjoy them. Special mention was made of the assistance of little Jean and Marguerite Eggleton of Harrowsmith. The proceeds were very satisfactory being in advance of other years.

Mr. and Mrs. John Juby had their usual family gathering on Xmas day.

Mrs. Frank Juby is visiting friends in Rochester.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. McMullen spent Xmas in Lindsay.

Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Kennedy of Toronto and Mr. James Barker of Chicago spent Xmas at the home of Rev. W. S. Barker.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Stapley entertained over twenty of their relatives on Xmas day, among those present were some from Detroit Mich.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Spring spent Xmas with Mr. and Mrs. Andrews.

Mr. Will Eggleton is home from the West on a visit.

Harold

A number from here attended the wedding of Mr. Roy Heath and Miss Hawkins on Xmas day.

Mrs. John Weaver and master Frederick of Saskatoon, Sask. are holiday visitors with her father Mr. John A. Potts.

Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Reid attended the Murray—Green wedding on Xmas day.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Potts and Mrs. Weaver spent Xmas at Trenton the guests of Mr. Wm. Potts.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. White and family spent the holidays at Bay-side.

We hear with pleasure that Willie West has secured the 12th line cheese factory for the coming season. Now its up to "Willie" to get a housekeeper.

Personal And Social.

Clela E. Heath of the Ontario Ladies College, Whitby, spent the holidays under the parental roof.

The Misses Norah, Gwladys and Eva Bailey of Toronto spent Xmas day with their parents Mr and Mrs German I. Bailey. Maple Grange.

Mrs J. Striker who has been the guest of her daughter Mrs G. A. Eggleton for some time left on Tuesday for Picton, where she will likely spend the rest of the winter with her sister.

Mr and Mrs John Hutcheson and Arthur Hutcheson of Toronto spent Christmas at Mrs Wm. Mc Cann's.

Mrs Brown and daughter, also Mr and Mrs J. Down and daughter of Cereal, Alberta are visiting under the parental roof, Mr Manford Tucker.

Miss Kathleen Doak who is attending the Ladies College, Cttawa, was home for the holidays.

Mr and Mrs Kenneth Vallean and child spent Xmas with her parents Mr and Mrs Geo. A. Eggleton he returned home on Saturday, while Mrs Vallean remained till Tuesday.

Miss Mabel B. Bailey who is teaching at Owenbrook, spent Xmas under the parental roof.

Mr Fred Nichols spent the week end at Maple Grange the guest of the Misses Bailey.

Mr and Mrs Geo. A. Bailey and Family, and Mr and Mrs Fred Snarr and Miss Clara had Xmas dinner at Maple Grange the guest of Mr and Mrs German I Bailey and Family,

Mr and Mrs Richard Bailey were guests of Mr and Mrs German Bailey one day last week.

Word has been received of the election of Mr Geo. Shea one of our former townsmen as a Councillor of the thriving town of Camrose, Alberta, for the year 1914.

Mr Thomas Scott Jr. of Wearton spent his Xmas holidays with Mr Mark Tucker and other relatives.

Dr. and Mrs Chas. Green of New York were the guests of D. Tucker, Minto. for Xmas leaving again for their home on Tuesday.

Mrs H. W. Sarles, Cereal Alta. was a guest at the home of D. Tucker Minto, for Xmas.

James Dickens of West Huntingdon met with a very serious accident Wednesday of last week, in driving close to a tree a low branch caught him on the chest brushing him off the wagon, rendering him unconscious for sometime he has been confined to the house since, suffering considerable pain but is improving, his neighbors doing his chores for him principally the minister of his district.

Mrs. Janie Duxbury from Fonda New York has returned home after spending a few weeks with her aunt Mrs. James Fox.

Mr. and Mrs. Aca Lowery from Gormley also Mr. and Mrs. R. Robinson from Campbellford spent Xmas with their youngest sister Mary Finnerty at the home of Mrs. James Fox.

Miss Daisy B. Roy has returned to Montreal to spend the winter with her brother S. J. Roy, after spending Xmas with her parents Mr. and Mrs. R. Roy of this place.

Josp. Q. Green and wife left on Tuesday afternoon for Toronto where they expect to reside for the future. Thus we lose another citizen, and while regretting their leaving, we wish them success in their new surroundings.

Herbt. Zufelt of Consecon was in the village one day this week, arriving on Monday evening and leaving again on Tuesday morning, to see his brother Wm

Invitations are out for the marriage of Miss Mary oldest daughter of Walton Eggleton, Belleville, to Thos. M. Cassidy of Cooper on Wednesday, Jany. 7th.

A. E. Tweedie and wife spent New Years at Frankford.

Mr and Mrs James R. Bailey of Tupper Lake, N. Y. are guests of their brother Mr Truman Bailey.

Births

Fox;—At Stirling to Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Fox, a son.

Godden;—At Wellman's Corners on Tuesday Dec 30, 1913, to Mr. and Mrs. George Godden, a daughter.

Horton;— At the home of Wm. Hagerman in Sidney on Wednesday Dec. 31, 1913 Mrs Charles B. Horton a daughter.

His Willing Tribute.

"Judge, we are getting up a little book to be made up for the most part of voluntary testimonials from distinguished citizens who honor us by carrying their life insurance in our company. We shall be very glad to have one from you. Would you mind telling me in a few words how you came to insure with us?"

"Not at all, sir. Your agent was hounding me nearly to death. For six weeks he had made my life a burden. I gave him my application for life insurance just to get rid of him."—Chicago Tribune.

Clever Girl.

Mother—What's that I hear? Franz actually kissed you at the railway station? And what did you do, pray? Daughter—Well, so as to make everybody think he was a relative and so prevent a scandal I kissed him too.—Berlin Journal.

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Yours Respectfully,
G. H. LUREY.

A HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL

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TRICKY ANIMALS.

Some Are Simply Fakers, While Others Are Real Criminals.

"There are crooks among animals, just as among men," said a nature student. "Take, for example, the horse. A horse looks very noble, very honest, eh? Yet time and again a horse will feign lameness in one leg or the other because he knows that when he's lame his boss will let him loaf.

"One responsible writer tells about a chimpanzee that they once fed on cake and wine when he had a cold. The rascal fakes up a bad cough in the hope of getting more wine and cake.

"Many birds are tricky and some are notorious thieves, particularly the raven and the crow. But the cuckoo is the worst. The cuckoo is too flighty a lady to be willing to sit in a nest and hatch out eggs, so she lays in the nests of other birds, one here and one there, and, by Jove, to complete the deception she abstracts an egg from the nest she lays in so that the addition of her own egg won't be noticed.

"A criminal—not a common crook—is the Australian parrot. Once a vegetarian, this foul bird now lights on a sheep's back and, standing where the sheep cannot reach him, he hacks his way down to the liver, which he eats. Sheep murdered by parrots for their liver constitute one of the grave losses of Australian farming." — New York Tribune.

FOREIGN BORN WOMEN.

How They May Become Naturalized, Married or Single.

A foreign born unmarried woman may become a citizen by being naturalized. To do this she must be twenty-one years of age and have lived five years in this country, one full year of which has been lived in the state in which she makes her application. Or she can marry a man who is a citizen, for the wife's citizenship follows the husband, and she continues to retain her citizenship if she continues to reside in the United States, unless she renounces the sovereignty of the United States.

A foreign born woman living in the United States whose husband is a foreigner, who refuses to become naturalized, cannot become a citizen unless separated from him by divorce or death.

A native born woman who marries a foreigner loses her citizenship during the time of the married relation, but upon the death of her husband or divorce from him she may resume her citizenship by registering, within one year with the American consul in the country of her residence a declaration that she desires to do so, or she may resume it by returning to the United States to reside.—New York Post.

An Exception.

"In the nature of things everybody ought to be delighted to see an oculist."

"Why should they?"

"Because to see him is good for sore eyes."—Baltimore American.

The one prudence of life is concentration; the one evil is dissipation.—Emerson.

ELECTION CARDS

Stirling Dec. 31st 1913

To the Electors of the Village of Stirling. Having decided to remain in the Contest for the position of Councillor for the year 1914. I am taking this opportunity of asking you one and all for your support. Wishing all the Compliments of the season. I remain

Yours truly
W. H. Cooke

To the Electors of Stirling

I stated from the platform on the night of nomination that I would not be a candidate for councilman. Since then I have been pressed by a large number of the rate payers to stand for that office and have decided to do so, and now ask for the support of the Electrs and if elected will do my best to furthur the interests of this village.

Sincerely yours
L. Meiklejohn

To the Electors of the Village of Stirling

As I have been requested, and received a nomination to become a candidate to represent your interest at the Council table, for 1914. I take this opportunity of soliciting your support to place me there, and if elected will do my utmost to discharge the duties of such to the best of my ability, having served you one year I feel that I under stand your requirements much better than a year ago, and can serve you much better. Buttimer Belshaw.

To the Electors

Having served you in council before and being urged by my many friends to enter the field again, I take this opportunity of soliciting your vote and influence as time will not permit a personal call on all.

Respectfully yours
D. Utman

FOR SALE

Yorkshire Sow, due to farrow the middle of February.

ALLAN H. BAILEY
Lot 18, 3rd Con., Rawdon

Lost,— A fur Muff, finder will be suitably rewarded by leaving at T. H. McKee's.

SEVENTY-TWO MET DEATH

Awful Catastrophe at Calumet, Michigan, at a Christmas Tree Celebration

A despatch from Calumet, Michigan, says: On the day which throughout all Christendom is set aside as a day of rejoicing over the birth of the Saviour, Calumet, stricken to the heart by an almost unbelievable catastrophe, stands mourning by the side of its dead, the 72 victims (most of whom were children) of the frightful panic on Christmas eve in the Italian hall. This panic followed a false alarm cry of fire during the progress of a Christmas tree entertainment arranged for families of the copper strikers. To-day the people of Calumet see their neighbors, their brothers, their sisters and their little children staggering under an almost unbearable burden of distress and grief.

The authorities have so far been unable to trace a man who is said to have gone up the stairs of the Italian hall and raised the cry of fire, which is supposed to have started the panic which led to the fearful crush in the stairway and caused the death of the nearly four score men, women and children. There seems to be little hope he will be apprehended. The other theory that the cry of fire originated within the hall was substantiated on Thursday by Matt Sart, a striker, who lost his son in the disaster. He declared the cry came from a group of men and women toward the front of the hall.

A fourteen-year-old girl who died on Thursday morning brought the official list of dead up to 72. All have now been identified. Five injured are in the hospitals, all of whom, it is said, will live. Three little girls in the Calumet and Hecla hospitals were able on Thursday to be up and about, and they romped around the Christmas tree set up for the patients unaware of the fate which had overtaken some of their brothers and sisters and the father of one of them.

A boy of seven or eight years of age who was taken to one of the morgues showed signs of life soon after, but no restoratives and no physician were immediately available and death ensued. One couple entered the town hall where all the bodies had been gathered to look for their missing child. Their hopes ran high when they had looked at seventy of the bodies and failed to find their loved one, but the last body they viewed, the seventy-first, was that of the missing one.

Members of the Calumet fire department relate many instances of heroic attempts to rescue the panic-stricken people in the hall. Patrick Ryan arrived on the scene a few minutes after the crush occurred at the foot of the stairway. He estimated there were about 100 piled on top of each other when he reached the entrance of the building.

Many tales of the fierceness of the crush during the height of the crush during the height of the panic were told. One man was seen to stoop to pick up his little daughter, only to be pushed on and forced to trample her beneath him. A woman who ran to the aid of three small boys was crushed to death with them.

When the rush began a woman went to the piano and began playing. Another woman stood in the centre of the stage, on which the Christmas tree had been erected, and started to sing. Their efforts to quell the panic were futile, as they were not heard above the tumult.

Matti Kotzjarvi, wife and two daughters, were all killed. Christian Klarich and his two daughters were crushed to death, but Mrs. Klarich managed to escape. A large number of families lost two or more children. More than fifty of the dead were under ten years of age.

Mrs. A. Niemela, one of the victimes, was suffocated while standing up. John Burrill, a fireman, who witnessed her death, took a six-months-old infant from her arms and carried it to safety. Leonard Wilman, another fireman, pushed his way into the stairway and took out a crying boy of six uninjured. Near him his mother and sister lay dead. An eleven-year-old boy rescued his brother of nine by carrying him down a ladder. Another child, thrown out of a window by a frantic father, was caught in the arms of an onlooker. Another father killed his boy by falling on him, and he, too, perished.

DISTRICT OFFICER'S WORK

Sanitary Surveys Have Been Completed for Twenty-eight Municipalities

A despatch from Toronto says: Thirty-five thousand miles of travel in 12 months is the modest record of Dr. R. E. Wodehouse, district officer of health for the great area that makes up Northern Ontario. Dr. Wodehouse's report to the Provincial Board of Health for the year contains striking testimony to the efficient work the new district officers are doing in exercising general supervision over the public health. The territory embraced in district seven, over which Dr. Wodehouse has charge, embraces Manitoulin, Algoma, Thunder Bay, Kenora, Rainy River and Patricia, or half the area of the whole province. The district officer travelled 35,552 miles at an expense of $1,237.

In carrying out his share of the work of preparing a sanitary survey of the province, Dr. Wodehouse made detailed sanitary survey reports of the 28 organized municipalities in his district and made 120 official visits to various centres of population. He visited all slaughter-houses in the district, made them comply with the strict sanitary provisions of the law, and secured the removal of insanitary buildings at several points.

"One set of open sewers were changed, while three hotels and three railways at five divisional points have been ordered to instal sewage treatment plants," says the report.

Chlorination of water has been instituted, upon order, at the "Soo," Port Arthur, Kenora, Fort Frances and Rainy River.

The report states that one camp of the Public Works Road Department was closed, but compliance was so tardy that two cases of typhoid developed.

In addition to their other work, the district officers do a great deal of lecturing upon health matters. Dr. Wodehouse having held 26 public meetings in 16 days, addressing nearly 6,000 people.

DRUGS ARE DANGEROUS

Inland Revenue Department Issues Warning Against Headache Powders

A despatch from Ottawa says: A bulletin issued by the Inland Revenue Department on "headache powders" calls public attention to the fact that "there can be no doubt that harm is done by the indiscriminate use of headache powders." After noting that headache is merely a symptom of something wrong, and not in itself a disease that can be treated by a "cure," the bulletin adds:

"The drugs to which the efficiency of these headache powders is due are powerful heart depressants, and are capable under certain conditions of producing fatal results, while under most conditions they must do harm."

Nearly all of the 171 samples analyzed contained acetanilide, or phenacetin, and are so marked under the regulations in regard to the patent medicine act. The amount of acetanilide present in most of the powders exceeds three grains, which is the limit of dosage prescribed by the British pharmacopoeia.

"No doubt," says the bulletin, "serious results would more frequently follow their use were it not that they contain other drugs, usually caffeine, which act as stimulants of the heart. A little reflection should convince the consumer of these powders that he is taking great liberties with his health and life."

PRICES OF FARM PRODUCTS

REPORTS FROM THE LEADING TRADE CENTRES OF AMERICA.

Prices of Cattle, Grain, Cheese and Other Produce at Home and Abroad.

Breadstuffs.

Toronto, Dec. 30.—Flour, Ontario wheat flour, 90 per cent., $3.50 to $3.55, seaboard, and at $3.50, Toronto. Manitoba—First patents, in jute bags, $5.30; do., seconds, $4.80; strong bakers', in jute bags, $4.60.

Manitoba wheat—No. 1 Northern, 92 1-2c, Bay ports, and a cent more for storage at Goderich, and No. 2 at 90 1-2c, Bay ports.

Ontario wheat—No. 2 wheat at 84 to 85c, outside.

Oats—No. 2 Ontario oats, 34 1-2 to 35c, outside, and at 38 to 38 1-2c, on track, Toronto. Western Canada old oats, 40 1-2c for No. 2 and 39c for No. 3, Bay ports.

Peas—$1 to $1.05 outside.

Barley—Good malting barley, 65 to 66c, outside.

Corn—New No. 3, American, 73 1-2c, all rail, Toronto.

Rye—No. 2 at 65 to 65c, outside.

Buckwheat—70c, outside.

Bran—Manitoba bran, $21 to $21.50 a ton, in bags, Toronto freight. Shorts, $22.50, Toronto.

Country Produce.

Butter—Choice dairy, 23 to 24c; inferior, 20 to 21c; farmers separator prints, 28 to 29c; creamery prints, 30 to 31c; solids, 28 to 29c; storage prints, 27 to 28c; do., solids, 26 to 25 1-2c

Eggs—Case lots of new-laid, 45 to 48c per dozen; selects, 37 to 38c, and storage, 32 to 33c per dozen.

Cheese—New cheese, 14 1-2 to 14 3-4c for large, and 15c for twins.

Beans—Hand-picked, $2.20 to $2.25 per bushel; primes, $2 to $2.10.

Honey—Extracted, in tins, 11 to 12c per lb. for No. 1; combs, $3 to $3.25 per dozen for No. 1 and $2.40 to $2.50 for No. 2.

Poultry—Fowl, 11 to 12c per lb.; chickens, 16 to 17c; ducks, 13 to 15c; geese, 12 to 15c; turkeys, 19 to 22c.

Potatoes—Ontario, 80 to 85c per bag, on track, and Delawares at 90c.

Provisions.

Bacon—Long clear, 16c per lb., in case lots. Pork—Short cut, $28.50; do., mess, $26.50. Hams—Medium to light, 19 1-2 to 20c; heavy, 19c; rolls, 15 1-2 to 16; breakfast bacon, 19 to 20c backs, 22 to 24c.

Lard—Tierces, 13 3-4 to 14c; tubs, 14 to 14 1-4c; pails, 14 1-4 to 14 1-2c.

Baled Hay and Straw.

Baled hay—No. 1 at $14.50 to $15 a ton, on track here; No. 2 at $13 to $13.50, and mixed at $12 to $12.50.

Baled straw—Car lots, $8.50 to $8.75, on track, Toronto.

Winnipeg Grain.

Winnipeg, Dec. 30.—Cash:—Wheat—No. 1 Northern, 82 1-2c; No. 2 Northern, 79 1-4c; No. 3 Northern, 77c; No. 4, 77 1-4c; No. 5, 66 1-2c; No. 6, 62 1-2c; No. 1 rejected seeds, 76 1-2c; No. 2 rejected seeds, 74 1-2c; No. 1 smutty, 76 1-2c; No. 2 smutty, 74 1-2c; No. 1 red Winter, 82 1-4c; No. 2 red Winter, 80c; No. 3 red Winter, 78c. Oats—No. 2 C.W., 33 3-8c; No. 3 feed, 30c. Barley—No. 3, 41 1-2c; No. 4, 39 1-2c; rejected, 37 1-2c; feed, 37c. Flax—No. 1 N.W.C., $1.22 1-4; No. 2 C.W., $1.20 1-8.

Montreal Markets.

Montreal, Dec. 30.—Oats—Canadian Western, No 2, 41 1-2 to 42c; do., No. 3, 40 1-2 to 41c. Barley—Man. feed, 48 to 50c; malting, 64 to 65c. Buckwheat, No. 2, 56 to 57c. Flour—Man. Spring wheat patents, firsts, $5.40; seconds, $4.90; strong bakers', $4.70; Winter patents, choice, $4.75 to $5; straight rollers, $4.50 to $4.60; do., bags, $2 to $2.10. Rolled oats—Barrels, $4.40 to $4.50; do., bags, 90 lbs., $2.10 to $2.12 1-2. Bran, $20 to $21. Shorts, $22 to $23. Middlings, $25 to $26. Mouillie, $27 to $31. Hay, No. 2, per ton, car lots, $13.50 to $15. Cheese—Finest westerns, 13 3-4 to 14c; finest easterns, 13 1-4 to 13 1-2c. Butter—Choicest creamery, 28 1-2 to 29c; seconds, 28 to 28 1-4c. Eggs—Fresh, 55 to 60c; selected, 38c; No. 1 stock, 34c; No. 2 stock, 26c. Potatoes, per bag, car lots, 75 to 85c.

United States Markets.

Minneapolis, Dec. 30.—Wheat—December, 83 5-8c; May, 87 to 87 1-8c; No. 1 hard, 87 1-8 to 87 5-8c; No. 1 Northern, 84 7-8 to 86 5-8c; No. 2 Northern, 82 7-8 to 84 5-8c; No. 3 wheat, 80 7-8 to 81 5-8c. Corn, No. 3 yellow, 59 1-2 to 60c; No. 3 white oats, 36 1-2 to 36 3-4c. Flour—$2.50 for second clear to $4.85 for fancy patents.

Duluth, Dec. 30.—Linseed, $1.40 1-8; December, $1.45 5-8; May, $1.51 1-8. Close—Wheat—No. 1 hard, 86 5-8c; No. 1 Northern, 85 5-8c; No. 2 Northern, 83 5-8 to 84 1-8c; Montana, No. 2 hard, 85 5-8c; December, 83 1-4c; May, 87 5-8 to 87 3-4c.

Live Stock Markets.

Toronto, Dec. 30.—Cattle—Choice butchers, $7.75 to $8; good medium, $6.50 to $7.25; common, $5 to $5.50; cows, $4.50 to $7.25; common cows, $3.50 to $4; butchers' bulls, $3.75 to $7.25; canners and cutters, $3.50 to $4. Calves—Good veal, $8.75 to $11; common, $4.75 to $5.10. Stockers and feeders—Steers, 910 to 1,050 lbs., $6 to $6.75; good quality, 800 lbs., $4.50 to $5.25; light, $3.50 to $3.50. Sheep and lambs—Light ewes, $5.50 to $6; heavy, $3 to $3.50; bucks, $3 to $3.50; spring lambs, $8.50 to $9, but with 75c per head deducted for all the buck lambs. Hogs—$9.10 fed and watered, $9.10 off cars, and $8.40 to $8.50 f.o.b.

TWO TRAINMEN KILLED.

Six Others Injured When Locomotive Exploded.

A despatch from St. Thomas says: Fireman J. Thorp, of Fort Erie, and an unidentified man were killed on Thursday morning when the boiler of a G.T.R. Wabash engine exploded. The accident happened about six o'clock while the locomotive was returning light to the Buffalo yards. Engineer Nicholas J. Curran, of St. Thomas, had a miraculous escape. He was thrown from the cab, but while severely scalded is expected to be all right again in a few days. F. Clark, brakeman of St. Thomas, and W. R. Cameron, of Windsor, were injured by escaping steam, and W. Lohr, A. Schultz, and W. B. Bartell, switchmen on the Erie Railway, who were close by, were hit by flying debris.

GRAND TRUNK PACIFIC.

Through Trains Will Be Running in 1915, Says Vice-President.

A despatch from Vancouver says: "We expect to have steel laid into Prince George by January 10, and the track linked up right across the continent before the end of next May," announced Mr. Morley Donaldson, vice-president of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway system, who arrived on Tuesday morning enroute to the north to conduct an inspection of the line from the Prince Rupert end. "We believe that the new Transcontinental will be ready for operation of through trains by in 1915," said Mr. Donaldson.

THE NEWS IN A PARAGRAPH

HAPPENINGS FROM ALL OVER THE GLOBE IN A NUTSHELL.

Canada, the Empire and the World in General Before Your Eyes.

Canada.

A Federal bankruptcy act is favored by Hon. C. J. Doherty, Minister of Justice, who will bring the matter before his colleagues.

The Dominion Government ordered the Brantford Gas Company to discontinue supplying gas from the Tilbury fields for domestic purposes.

George Kett, a lake sailor, whose parents had given him up for lost in the great storm of November 9, walked into their home at Harriston on Christmas Eve.

Chas. Byrnes of Napanee was seized with heart failure when about to descend stairs to the basement of a store, and, falling headlong, was picked up dead.

Traffic through the St. Mary's Falls Canals for 1913 increased 10 per cent. over the freight record of 1912, and the increase in grain was 63 per cent., or more than 43 million bushels.

Justice Charboneau in Montreal annulled the marriage of John Thomas Baker with Dame Eveline Emily McCloy Adams, as she represented herself to be a widow while having a husband living.

Great Britain.

The British Royal family spent Christmas quietly at Sandringham.

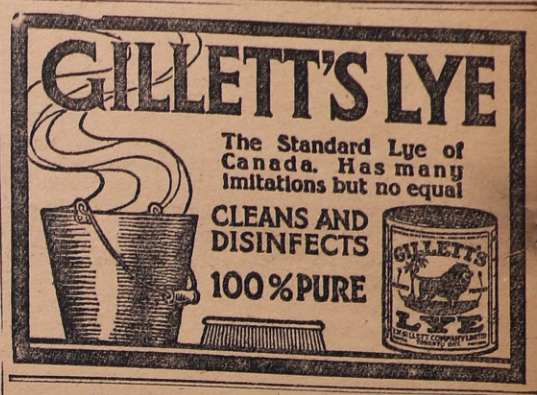
Important alterations in the Bisley regulations have been recommended by General Sir C. W. Douglas.

The Economist of London severely censures the Foreign Office for its action regarding the Panama Fair.

United States.

Another movement has begun at Washington to suspend coastwise exemption in the Panama Canal.

A Swiss aviator, Bider, flew across the Alps from Buc to Berne in five hours.



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LIABILITIES

TO THE PUBLIC:		
Notes of the Bank in circulation		$13,176,634 69
Deposits bearing interest, including interest accrued to date	$101,900,790 87	
Deposits not bearing interest	36,276,871 60	
		138,177,662 47
Deposits by other Banks in Canada	$ 405,669 90	
Deposits by Banks and Banking Correspondents elsewhere than in Canada	1,649,466 73	
		2,055,136 63
Bills Payable		990,899 59
Acceptances under Letters of Credit		361,106 66
		$154,761,440 04
TO THE SHAREHOLDERS:		
Capital Stock Paid-up		11,560,000 00
Reserve Fund	$12,560,000 00	
Balance of Profits carried forward	1,015,119 58	
		13,575,119 58
Dividend No. 105 (at 12% per annum), payable Dec. 1st, 1913	$ 346,800 00	
Dividends Unclaimed	3,426 11	
		350,226 11
		$180,246,785 73

ASSETS

Current Gold and Silver Coin	$ 7,802,067 72	
Dominion Government Notes	11,664,142 00	
	$19,466,209 72	
Deposit in the Central Gold Reserves	2,000,000 00	
Deposit with Dominion Government for the purposes of the Circulation Fund	578,000 00	
Notes of other Banks	2,576,878 07	
Cheques on other Banks	6,586,249 32	
Due by other Banks in Canada	1,160 12	
Due by Banks and Banking Correspondents elsewhere than in Canada	3,603,452 05	
Dominion and Provincial Government Securities, not exceeding market value	1,127,312 91	
Canadian Municipal Securities and British, Foreign and Colonial Public Securities other than Canadian, not exceeding market value	2,081,533 53	
Railway and other Bonds, Debentures and Stocks, not exceeding market value	14,565,306 32	
Call and Short Loans in Canada, on Bonds, Debentures and Stocks	9,002,193 01	
Call and Short Loans elsewhere than in Canada	10,817,496 66	
		72,385,791 71
Loans to Provincial Governments	$ 247,435 89	
Loans to Cities, Towns, Municipalities and School Districts	3,686,624 08	
Other Current Loans and Discounts (less rebate of interest)	98,606,925 14	
Overdue Debts (estimated loss provided for)	175,673 57	
		$102,716,658 68
Bank Premises, at not more than cost, less amounts written off		4,783,228 68
Liabilities of Customers under Letters of Credit, as per contra		361,106 66
		$180,246,785 73

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

Balance of Profit and Loss Account, 30th November, 1912	$ 610,219 36	
Profits for the year, after deducting charges of management and all other expenses, accrued interest on deposits, full provision for all bad and doubtful debts and rebate of interest on unmatured bills	2,142,100 22	
		$2,752,319 58
APPROPRIATED AS FOLLOWS:		
Dividends Nos. 102, 103, 104 and 105, at 12 per cent. per annum	$1,387,200 00	
Transferred to Officers' Pension Fund	100,000 00	
Written Off Bank Premises Account	250,000 00	
Balance of Profit and Loss carried forward	1,015,119 58	
		$2,752,319 58

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The new, church hymnal, the "Book Of Common Praise", at the News-Argus Office. The 75c. kind without music at 50c (good print). The $1.25 kind with music for 90c., also 1 only good $2.75 quality, organ size $1.90, while they last.

STOCK WILL NOT BE RENEWED

House For Sale

A very desirable two-story brick house with 4½ acres of land. Good Orchard of various kinds of fruit. Good well, cistern and cellar, barn and underground stable. Nine rooms all modern conveniences. Situated on Front street. Terms reasonable and easy. Possessions given as agreed upon.

Mrs Hiram Ferguson, Stirling

Fifty Acre Farm for Sale

North-east quarter lot 21 in the 2nd concession in the township of Rawdon on Campbellford road 5 miles west of Stirling, 1¼ miles from Central cheese factory, 2 miles east Hoards Station, 120 rods from school-house and about 135 rods to church. Good frame house, frame barn, drive house, pig pen, and milk house. Rural mail route passing house every day. Four good watering places. For further particulars apply to Geo. F. Hubbel on premises.

SHINGLES!

400,000 Shingles just arrived. Also, Lath and Mouldings.

J. W. HAIGHT.

During my absence in the north W. R. Girdwood will be in charge

For Sale

A good Working Team, or will exchange for Cattle or Suckling Colts. Apply to

GEO. TOMPKINS, Harold.

REMOVAL NOTICE

I have removed shoe business to my house on Emma street from my former stand on Front St., and am ready to do neat and satisfactory Repairing, also new work as usual.

S. J. DeMILLE

NOTICE

All persons owing accounts for subscription to the News-Argus up to June 1st, 1913, are requested to settle at once with the undersigned. No other person is authorized to receive the same, or give receipts.

JAMES CURRIE.

Wood for Sale

Small standing Oak for sale, cheap to clear the land.

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Correspondence is invited on all legitimate subjects, the real name of the writer to be furnished the editor in every case. This rule can have no exception.

Friday JAN. 2, 1914

NOMINATION MEETING

The above was held in the Town Hall on Monday evening, Clerk Luery declared the meeting open at 7.32 for the reception of nomination papers, which at first were very slow in coming in, but by the close of hour 8.32 a goodly number had been handed in and as all have remained in the field for a fight a lively day may be expected on Monday. As Reeve Coulter was the only one nominated for Reeve the Clerk declared him elected by acclamation. Mr. Coulter has made an exceptionally good and efficient Reeve and has devoted a great deal of time to the business of the village and also to County affairs in the County Council of which body he holds the most important office Chairman of the Finance Committee. And the citizens giving him a second term unopposed is but a well deserved expression of confidence on the part of the Electors.

At the meeting there was only about 88 electors present which shows rather a lack of interest in village affairs, and as usual in such cases, those absent will be the worst complainers if things do not go just as they think they should.

All the old members of the Council were re-nominated, T. A. Eggleton, L. Meiklejohn, J. B. Belshaw and C. F. Linn and in addition the following new ones J. L. Ashley, Thos. H. Matthews, Chas. Mosher, Paul Kingston, D. Utman and Henry Cook, all true men and good, and the electors could almost shake their names in a hat and draw them blindfolded.

L. Meiklejohn in quite a lengthy speech declared his intention of withdrawing and instructed the Clerk to that effect, but later on some compliments being given him withdrew his instructions to the Clerk for further consideration till the morning when he decided to run again. This leaves all of above in the field except Mr. Paul Kingston who positively declined to run.

For the vacancies on the Board of Education T. H. McKee, Thos. H. Matthews, Dr. Bissonnette and J. S. Morton were nominated all of whom signified their intention of running so that an election for this branch of the civic government will also take place on Monday.

At the close of the nominations the Clerk said the nominees for the School Board if they do not wish to run should have their resignations in his hands by 9 p. m. Tuesday and nominees for councillors should have their proper qualification papers in his hands by the same time.

After which he called on the Reeve who in a lengthy speech went fully into Village and County affairs stating that he was proud of being Reeve of one of the very best villages of its size in the province, and which in some points excelled any other village of its size in the province, drawing special attention to the fine financial statement that had been distributed among those present.

Drawing attention that while many other villages were borrowing money for even some of their running expenses Stirling paying all its expenses debentures and all the improvements out of its tax and other revenues and had handsome surpluses in each department. He also drew attention to the fact that we were citizens of a county of great proportions, stating that it had an assessed value of $17,000 000 with a debt of only a quarter of a million dollars, that 23 concrete bridges had been built during the year, that there were 660 miles of road 400 of which were on the approved Gov. plan, that we had more miles of bridges than Prince Edward County had of roads, (this we think must be a mistake as it is almost incredible)

The old and new aspirants were called on individually all responding in a shorter or longer manner as their tastes dictated, lack of time and help prevents us from going fully into this part of the meeting. There is now 8 candidates in the field for the Electors to select the 4 councillors needed, and 4 candidates for the 3 positions on the School Board.

At the end of the proceedings J. T. Belshaw asked for a further short hearing in which he drew attention to the short free course on Agriculture to be given by A. D. McIntosh, and strongly advised all the Farmers to arrange for having the farm work done ... and allow ... sons to attend the course.

The Reeve and deputy Reeve of Rawdon were called on, the Reeve responding in his usual happy manner paying a high compliment to the work of Reeve Coulter in the County Council stating that he had been one to put his name to a $17,000 note to keep the work of the council on the roads going, till the government grant should come too hard, and when the government sought to defer the payment Mr. Coulter and one of his colleagues, went to Toronto and were again refused Mr. Coulter told them the County wanted the money and had to have it and they were going to camp there till it was paid, and the money came.

RIVER VALLEY SCHOOL CLOSING

On Monday, Dec. 22nd the River Valley School held its closing exercises in a very unusual fashion. The forenoon was spent with school work, but the afternoon was given over entirely to farewell exercises as the teacher, Miss Eva Bird, is severing her connection with the school. Popcorn and taffy in great abundance satisfied even the exacting tastes and insatiable hunger of the school boys, while songs and music, mirth and jollity filled the air until about 2.30 when the bell rang.

A vistor in the person of Mr. McIntosh, Dist. Representative, called and gave an address on "New School Movements," asking special mention of the PROGRESS CLUBS which are now becoming quite common in the rural schools. The idea met with approval and by the end of an hour a Progress Club was formed in River Valley School with all the officers installed and committees appointed.

Another visitor appeared upon the scene in the person of Mr. Boulton who came to witness the closing ceremony with the presentation and address made by the children to their teacher. The scene of parting was very affecting; and displayed the intimate relationship that existed between pupils and teacher. Miss Lucy Boulton read the following address while Mr. Roy Richardson and Miss Lera McIntosh stood by to make the presentation.

Stirling, Dec. 22, 1913.

Miss Eva M. Bird.

Dear Teacher,— It becomes our painful duty to recall to every one present that this is the last day of school this year; and this is the parting day with our dear teacher who has shared our joys and borne our sorrows; encouraged our onward progress towards a higher and better life; and at the same time quietly, but none the less firmly, repressed our tendencies to wander in by and forbidden paths.

You have been a living example of cheeriness, patience, hope, perseverance, integrity and many other virtues, not omitting that greatest virtue, Charity. We feel we are losing from our daily lives one who knows how to sacrifice for others and to enjoy even the sacrifice. May your noble character and cheerful disposition be a monument to your memory in the minds of us all. May the calmness of your patience, the heartiness of your laugh, the rythm of your daily walk and conversation ever remind us that we have had a friend in whom we have trusted not in vain.

For yourself we wish you first Health and Happiness with fewest possible reverses and misfortunes. We wish you the fullness of joy that comes to those whose duty has been well performed. We wish you the many happy returns of this coming festive season, and may Heaven bless your future.

In recognition of the esteem in which you are held by all your pupils and as a token of our appreciation, we present you with this small coin which in its nature emblematically represents that our mutual relationships and future friendship will be as golden as the coin itself.

On behalf of the school we sign our names,

Lucy Boulton.
Lera McIntosh.
Roy Richardson.

It was with some difficulty Miss Bird found words for a suitable reply.

FAMILIARITY BREEDS CONTEMPT

An inspector going through a plant in Illinois observed a set-screw projecting on a revolving shaft. He considered it particularly dangerous because the shaft was near a passageway and workmen were continually going back and forth past it. He called the manager's attention to it. "Don't you think," he said, "that that set-screw had better be cut off? Someone will get hurt some day if it is left that way." "I don't think so," the manager replied, that set-screw has been like that for years. No one has ever been hurt by it. The fact that it is exposed and can be observed by anyone renders it safe from causing an accident." The manager had a habit of gesticulating when speaking, and, as he waved his arm to emphasize what he was saying, the sleeve of his coat came in contact with the set-screw and caught on it, and in an instant he was whirled to

MARRIED

Wilson—Hammond.

On Wednesday, December 24, at the Methodist Parsonage, Stirling, by the Rev. T. J. Terrill, Alfred Wilson, Esq., to Lillie Edna, daughter of Harry Hammond, Esq., of the Township of Seymour.

Heath—Hawkins. At twelve o'clock noon, on Thursday, Dec. 25, (Christmas day) at the home of E. W. Hawkins Esq., father to the bride, in the township of Rawdon, by the Rev. T. J. Terrill, Roy Oakley Heath to Lizzie Hawkins.

Hawkins—Heath,—

A very pretty wedding took place at high noon on Xmas day at the home of the bride's parents Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Hawkins, when their only daughter Lizzie was united in the holy bonds of matrimony to Roy O. Heath of Rawdon by Rev. T. J. Terrill, Stirling. The bride looked charming as she entered the parlor on the arm of her father carrying a shower bouquet of cream roses and lily of the valley, and took her place beside the groom under a crescent of holly and mistletoe, accompanied by the strains of the wedding march sweetly played by Miss Clela Heath sister of the groom. The groom was ably assisted by Mr. Harper Rollins of Sine, while Miss Mabel I. Robinson of Toronto, cousin of the bride, well did the honors of bridesmaid and looked very sweet dressed in blue silk draped with ninon trimmed with pink rose buds and seed pearls, and carried pink roses. The bride was prettily gowned in ivory silk crepe over silk trimmed with lace and seed pearls, and wore a tulle veil and orange blossoms. After the ceremony and congratulations the guests to a number of about eighty-five repaired to the dining room which was prettily decorated with smilax and white narcissus, where they did ample justice to the good things provided by the hostess. One feature of the dinner was a cake made by Mrs. Robinson, grandmother of the bride, over eighty years of age. The presents were many and beautiful, showing the esteem in which the bride and groom are held.

The groom's gift to the bride was a twenty dollar gold piece, to the brides maid a gold brooch set with rubies and pearls, and to the groomsman gold cuff links bearing the Masonic emblem.

The bride's going away suit was a navy blue serge with black hat and persian lamb furs the gift of her mother. They left for Belleville amid showers of rice confetti and the good wishes of all present, enroute for New York, Montreal, and Eatontown N. J. where they will visit Rev. C. G. Adams uncle of the bride.

One who was there.

YOU WILL NEVER KNOW

A tenth of what is going on in Town, ... if you fail to take

THIS PAPER

Order It Now! Order It Now!

Wellman's.

Going for sleigh rides seem to be the order of the day.

We all congratulate Mr. Morley Murray for his early marriage.

An entertainment will be held here in the Orange Hall on the 9th of January. An experienced lady from Belleville will be the main entertainer. Solos duets etc will be given by the young folk. Everybody come you will enjoy the evening. Admission 25 cts.

We would like the little lady we asked a few Sundays ago to help us in our choir, "Come along Luella your help will be greatly appreciated."

Service will be held in the evening here next Sabbath at 7.30. p. m.

Our sympathy is extended to Mrs. F. C. Snarr on the loss of her mother.

God has taken many mothers
 From this world of grief and pain,
He has taken them to Heaven
 Where we wish to meet again.

But God gives us just one mother
 In this dark cold world alone,
And the Saviour softly called her
 And He led her safely home.

Mr. Fred Thain has been visiting friends at Eldorado for a few days.

Miss Gertie Fletcher is employed in the Deaf and Dumb Institute, Belleville.

Wedding Bells are ringing on the sixth.

Stolen

Black Cow Hide Robe, taken from the horse at Kirby House shed Saturday evening Dec. 27 th. Party having it had better return ... use and save ...

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

IN THE MATTER of the Estate of Annie G. Runnalls, late of the Township of Rawdon, in the County of Hastings, Married Woman, deceased.

Notice is hereby given pursuant to section No. 53, Chapter No. 26 of the Statutes of Ontario, one George 5th.

That all persons having claims against the said Annie G. Runnalls deceased, who died on or about the 27th, day of February A. D. One thousand nine hundred and ten, in the Township of Rawdon aforesaid, are required to send by post prepaid or deliver to Abraham D. Runnalls, the administrator, Harold Post Office, Ontario, or to his Solicitor as hereunder on or before the 30th, day of January A. D. One thousand nine hundred and fourteen, their names and addresses with full particulars of their claims in writing and the nature of securities, if any held by them fully verified by Statutary Declaration.

And further take notice that after said 30th, day of January, A. D. one thousand nine hundred and fourteen, the Assets of the Said Estate will be distributed by the Administrator among the parties entitled thereto having regard only to the claims which he shall then have notice and the estate will not be liable for any claims not filed at the time of said distribution.

Dated at Stirling this 30th, day of December, 1914.

G. G. Thrasher
Solicitor for Administrator.

Farm For Sale

Part of Lots 20 and 21 in the 12th and 13th concession of the township of Rawdon. 200 acres more or less 100 acres in cultivation with a good sugar bush, and 100 in good pasture and woodland, lying with one corner in Crow River, which makes an excellent fishing ground. A large brick and frame dwelling house. Two good drive houses, a blacksmith shop, and an old dwelling house, One large hip roof barn and small barn joined together. A good orchard. Two good wells and a never failing Spring near the house and a good pig pen.

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Do you ever realize that each one of those "cases"—mere items in an official record—is a black tragedy to somebody, that behind each one of them lies long, hopeless days of pain, feverish nights of despair, lifetime plans that must be laid away, grinding poverty, perhaps a wife to fight her own way afterwards or children who know hunger now that the father is gone.

Just suppose it were your tragedy. Suppose it were your father, your mother, your brother, sister, husband, wife, your child, or perhaps your sweetheart, and you with the hospital doors shut in your face, wringing your hands in utter helplessness while the crowds hurry by, engrossed in their own affairs.

But no! You are in that crowd and you don't hear either because you are busy.

But wouldn't you give—and gladly—if you knew that what meant so little to you would go far to bring back the glow to somebody's wan face or the laughter to somebody's lips?

Just sit down and think of the one you love best in the world. Then say "If she lay there——" or "If he lay there——" and see how it sounds. What would become of all your plans and your busy days then?

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Are you going to remember this Christmas?

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AN UNEXPECTED ANSWER.

Caleb Peaslee Tells of Hen Barker's Horse Trade.

"A soft answer ain't the only one that'll turn away wrath," observed Caleb Peaslee, reflectively. "Nine times out of ten the onexpected answer will do just as well—and the tenth time it'll jolt a feller wuss, mebbe. Suthin' odd come under my observation this very mornin'.

Lysander Winchope turned stiffly in his chair, the better to see his friend. Caleb was gazing musingly at the horizon, and a philosophical smile played upon his mild old face. Mr. Winchope fiddled with his cane impatiently.

"Are you a'goin' to begin," he asked, at length, "or ain't ye?"

Mr. Peaslee's eyes twinkled slyly.

"Sartain I'll begin, Lysander," he replied, heartily. "You hadn't showed any int'rest in it up to now, and I was kind of studyin' over it. The ways of hoss-traders are odd and curious. Dickerin' and tradin' seems to give them curves and slants in their minds different from other folks, and even their ways of gettin' out of scrapes seem to be ways of their own. Ain't you ever noticed it, Lysander? Ain't it so, Gregg?"

"Get along with your story!" adjured the impatient Lysander. Mr. Gregg said nothing, but waited expectantly.

"Don't hurry me," returned Caleb, easily. "I don't want to get all het up. It seems that Hen Barker has been tryin' to sell a hoss to two different people. You know Hen Barker, over to Amherst Corner, don't you?"

"I know him well—consarn him!" snapped Mr. Winchope. Gregg shook his head doubtfully.

"Don't believe I ever saw him," he said. "'T least, I don't remember him."

"You'd remember him if you'd ever seen him," affirmed Mr. Peaslee. "If he didn't skin you on a hoss-trade the fust time you met him, you'd remember him for the homeliest man you ever saw. He's so homely that flies won't light on him. A fly goin' towards Hen Barker'll turn a square corner and get away soon's he sees where he's goin'—and like enough sprain a wing doin' it. He's so homely he'll scare a strange hoss right out of the road, and out into the bushes. He's awful plain-featured!

"It seems that Hen had a hoss that he was tryin' to sell to two different pussons," Mr. Peaslee continued, "and one of them was that maiden lady over in Clifton. She wanted a hoss that she could depend upon not to act skittish when she was drivin', and Hen assured her that the critter was just what she wanted.

"The other likely customer was Jim Sneed, and he wanted a hoss that had consid'able life and go in him—one he'd got to hang onto some. Hen told Sneed that if he hunted a year he couldn't find a hoss that would come nearer to fillin' them requirements than that very critter. You see, Hen's figgerin' was all right—from a hoss-trader's p'int of view. If he couldn't sell the hoss to the old maid for a quiet one, he could sell him to Jim for one that was full of ginger.

"The only thing Hen overlooked was that Jim supplied the old lady with her butter and garden-truck, and she took it into her head to tell Jim about the hoss, and ask his opinion, and when they got to comparin' notes, they found out what Hen was up to. So the old lady was a-waitin for Hen the next time he showed up, and she give him about as thorough a goin' over as a man ever got, I guess. Hen sot there and took it—till she wound up with a final bang!

"'Mr. Barker,' says she, 'I think you're the most two-faced man I ever met in all my life!'

"Hen looked at her kinder reproachful for jest a minute.

"'Miss Graves,' he answered her, 'do you honestly think that if I had two faces I'd ever use the one I'm wearin' now?'

"And would you believe it," Mr. Peaslee concluded, impressively, "that answer was so onexpected that she bought the hoss, after all!"—Youth's Companion.

IN PIPER'S POCKET.

A Comical Incident Just Before the Battle.

"If an old soldier should tell me," remarked the veteran, "that he wasn't nervous before his first battle, I suppose I should have to believe him, but I should regard him as a freak of nature. There aren't many who could say as much. I know I was scared through and through, and besides that, I was scared for fear somebody else would find it out. I was nineteen, and I've often thought that if it hadn't been for a little thing that happened to distract my mind while we were on the march, my legs never would have carried me to the front, but in quite the other direction.

"We were in camp, and just getting ready to have our dinner, when orders came for us to hurry forward and join a brigade that was likely to engage the enemy at any minute. So we had to gobble down a cold snack and start. Having my first battle loom up before me sudden like that, I couldn't eat much of anything, and not having had a civilized meal, I didn't have much stomach for fighting. At first I was looking round for a haystack to scoot for and hide in; but after a time I began to get interested in the left-hand overcoat pocket of the man in front of me, a chap named Piper.

"It looked to me as if there was something very much alive in that pocket. Every now and then Piper would clap his hand over it, as if he was afraid the critter would get out, and I could hear stifled noises from the depths of the pocket that made me suspicious. The lieutenant heard them, too, for twice he turned round and looked fierce enough to eat us.

"By and by, when Piper was off his guard, the thing poked its head out far enough to screech, 'Cut! cu—!' Piper he squelched the second 'cut'—cut it in two, you might say; but the lieutenant heard something, and he looked round and shouted, 'Silence in the ranks there!'

"The men near Piper snickered, but nothing more happened till the order came down the line to shift our guns to the right shoulder. Then, of course, Piper had to use both hands, and the minute he let go of his pocket out scrambled as mad a pullet as you ever saw; and when she'd flopped onto the ground she scurried away, screeching, 'Cut! cut! cah-dah-cut!' at the top of her lungs. Well, the captain couldn't help hearing that, and naturally he looked back to see what the row was; and when he saw what had happened, he sung out at the top of his voice:

"'Corporal Davis, take three men and bring back that deserter!'

"That made everybody feel middling cheerful, but those who knew where the chicken had come from got a real good laugh when Piper put his hand into his pocket and pulled out a new-laid egg.

"Honestly, I forgot all about being afraid after that."

FAMILY MAT HEIRLOOM.

Samoans Have Great Pride in Their Artistic Work.

Among the curious customs of the Samoan people is that of making heirlooms of mats. These mats are associated with the family as the hearthstone is among other peoples.

These mats are really works of art and are worthy of the boasts which the Samoans make concerning them.

Some of them have names known all over the group and are very valuable. The most valuable as well as the oldest is called Moe-e-Fui-Fui, or "The mat that slept among the creepers." It got this title from it having been hidden away for years among the creeping convolvulus that grows wild along the seacoast. It is known to be at least 200 years old, as the names of its owners during that time can be traced.

The possession of such a mat as this gives a certain rank and power to its owner, and the poorest among them have been known to refuse $500 for such a family treasure.

The Fear of Poverty.

We have grown literally afraid to be poor. We despise anyone who elects to be poor in order to simplify and save his inner life. We have lost the power of even imagining what the ancient idealization of poverty could have meant; the liberation from material attachments, the unbribed soul, the manlier indifference, the paying our way by what we are to do, and not by what we have, the right to fling away our life at any moment irresponsibly—the more athletic trim, in short, the moral fighting shape. It is certain that the prevalent fear of poverty among the educated classes is the worst moral disease from which our civilization suffers.—Prof. William James.

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A Nova Scotia Case of Interest to All Women

Halifax Sends Out a Message of Help to Many People.

Halifax, N.S., Dec. 15. When interviewed at her home at 194 Argyle St., Mrs. Haverstock was quite willing to talk of her peculiarly unfortunate case. "I was always 'blue' and depressed, felt weak, languid and utterly unfit for any work. My stomach was so disordered that I had no appetite. What I did eat disagreed. I suffered greatly from dizziness and sick headache and feared a nervous breakdown. Upon my druggist's recommendation I used Dr. Hamilton's Pills.

"I felt better at once. Every day I improved. In six weeks I was a well woman, cured completely after different physicians had failed to help me. It is for this reason that I strongly urge sufferers with stomach or digestive troubles to use Dr. Hamilton's Pills."

Dr. Hamilton's Pills strengthen the stomach, improve digestion, strengthen the nerves and restore debilitated systems to health. By cleansing the blood of long-standing impurities, by bringing the system to a high point of vigor, they effectually chase away weariness, depression and disease. Good for young or old, for men, for women, for children. All dealers sell Dr. Hamilton's Pills of Mandrake and Butternut.

PARABLE OF THE RICH MAN.

Wanted to Go Into the Garden, But Was Not Allowed.

The Rich Man died, and found himself in a luxurious smoking-room. He touched the bell, and a perfectly-trained flunkey brought him a wonderful cigar and the most delicious white wine he had ever tasted. He lazily noticed that the room had no windows, and he thought he would like a little fresh air. He passed into the next and equally magnificent room, and there, too, he found no windows.

But now he had a distinct desire for the open. In the third room also there were no windows. He began to walk faster. He wanted to see a cloud, although never in his life had he experienced such a desire. He started to run through rooms and rooms; there was no end to them. He grew frantic, and rushed headlong, as it seemed to him, for miles and miles. At last he sank exhausted into a seat in a room papered in pale green, and hung with oil paintings by Royal Academicians, framed in costly gold.

He rang an electric bell, feverishly. Another perfect waiter appeared. "I want to go into the garden. Show me the way, quick."

"Sorry, sir, but it's against orders," was the respectful answer.

"Against orders!! What, isn't this Heaven?"

"No, sir!"

Most Pleasant Cure Known For Cold In the Head

Gives Relief in Ten Minutes.

Every second person that you meet seems to have a sneeze and stuffed feeling in the forehead and nostrils. To cure promptly, say, in half an hour, there is nothing worth using except Catarrhozone. You inhale its balsamic vapor, and feel as if you were among the Norway pines. This is because Catarrhozone contains a heading medicine, light as pine air, which is breathed straight into the lungs and bronchial tubes. Away goes the cold; sneezing and catarrhal cough cease, bronchial irritation stops; in short you are cured of catarrh by a pleasant, simple remedy, free from sedatives and irritants.

An ideal protection for the chest, lungs, nose, and throat is the frequent use of Catarrhozone. Two months' treatment (the large size) costs $1.00, medium sizes 50c.; at all dealers or the Catarrhozone Co., Buffalo, N.Y., and Kingston, Canada.

The other day a gentleman met a little boy who was crying. "What's the matter?" asked the gentleman. "My shoes hurt my feet," said the boy. "Why, you've got them on the wrong feet." "Wrong feet! Why, they're the only feet I've got, ain't they?" said the boy.

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Pearls of Truth.

The world has a million roosts for a man, but only one rest.—O. W. Holmes.

One of the saddest things of today is that wealthy people are not giving their sons to the Church.—Bishop of Southwell.

One whose daily life is careless is always weak. But one who habitually walks in the paths of uprightness and obedience grows strong in character.—Miller.

Most people think they are virtuous merely because they are tame and inoffensive. Tameness is not a virtue, it is merely the absence of a vice.—J. S. Blackie.

The man who gets the most out of life is the man who puts the most into it.

HAIR ALL FELL OUT RINGWORM ON HEAD

Also on Neck. Big Bare Spot on Crown of Head. Cuticura Soap and Ointment Cured.

108 Chapleau St., Montreal, Que.—"When my brother and I went to school we got ringworms from the other children and our hair all fell out. We had them on our heads and on our necks. For months I had a big bare spot on the crown of my head the size of a fifty-cent piece. Mother tried everything, all kinds of ointments, to cure us but everything seemed no good until one day she saw an advertisement for Cuticura Soap and Ointment. It was Cuticura Soap and Ointment that cured us." (Signed) Mrs. M. Blake, May 31, 1913.

ITCHY RASH ON HANDS

Fergus, Ont.—"Cuticura Soap and Ointment completely cured me of a rash on my hands. The rash was red like water blisters, very itchy and sore. Scratching made them sorer. The irritation was bad at night. I tried many remedies which did not do any good. I used Cuticura Soap as a wash in warm water night and morning with Cuticura Ointment and in less than a week it was all gone." (Signed) Mrs. Isabella Gibson, May 22, 1913.

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WHY LEAVES FALL.

Botanist of Java and Ceylon Seeking Light on Subject.

From a study of the growth and fall of the leaf in perpetual summer, botanists in Java and Ceylon have been lately seeking new light on an old subject. At the Botanic Gardens at Buitenzorg, Prof. G. Volkens has found the climate not quite uniform, as there is a periodicity in precipitation, relative humidity and insolation; and from records of more than 100 tree species growing in the gardens, he has obtained illustrations of nearly every kind of foliage behavior—some trees being regularly deciduous (accustomed to losing their leaves) once or twice a year, certain evergreens having marked periodicity, and others having uniform foliage gradually renewed throughout the year.

He concludes that the leaf-fall is not due to the checking of activity by an excess of stored food, some unknown internal action of the protoplasm seeming to him the primary cause. On the other hand, Prof. G. Klebs decides that periodicity of plant habit is governed by periodicity of external conditions and that the supply of food materials may play a leading part. His conclusions are based partly on experimental altering of the periodicity.

Trees stripped several months before the usual time have renewed their foliage and continued it during the season when they are usually bare; some deciducus European trees in the tropics no longer wholly dropped their leaves at any season, and tropical trees of periodic habit have been made to change their period by varying the fertility of the soil.

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Minard's Liniment Cures Distemper.

A Strange Pig.

Five-year-old George had spent the summer in the country, where he was much interested in a neighbor's pig and cow. On his return to his city home he was asked what he liked in the country.

"I liked Mr. Johnson's pigs best."

"Ah! How many pigs has Mr. Johnson?"

"Two."

"What color are Mr. Johnson's pigs?"

"One pig is white."

"What color is the other pig?"

"The other pig's a cow."

Very Likely.

"My tailor is beginning to dun me."

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A Brute.

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Husband—"No; it's associated with one of the greatest mistakes of my life."

Minard's Liniment Cures Diphtheria.

Welsh Miners' Superstitions.

Women, like rabbits, are of ill-omen to the miner. In many places, particularly in Wales, if a pitman meets or sees a woman on his way to work, he will turn back; for such an encounter is held to forebode evil not only to the man himself, but all his associates. At Oswestry, some years ago, a woman was employed as messenger by one of the collieries, and in the course of her duties met many of the colliers on their way to work. The men immediately told the manager that they could not run the risk of ill-luck entailed in meeting a woman on the way to the pit, and threatened to strike if she were not dismissed.—London Chronicle.

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With an air of melancholy resignation, the truant stopped at the teacher's desk, and handed her the following note from his mother:

Dear Sir. Please excuse James for not being present yesterday.

He played truant, but you needn't whip him for it, as the boy he played truant with and him fell out, and he licked James; and a man they threw stones at caught him and licked him; and the driver of a cart they hung on to licked him; and the owner of a cat they chased licked him. Then I licked him when he came home, after which his father licked him, and I had to give him another for being impudent to me for telling his father. So you need not lick him until the next time.

He thinks he will attend regular in future.

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Wuff!

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"What do they call them?" asked the short man.

"Plumber birds," replied the tall man.

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"Why so?"

"When I got back to camp after my first day out the fellows greeted me by singing, 'See the Conquering Hero Comes.' And all I had done was shoot off my guide's left ear."

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Farm Topics!

THE FUTURE MEAT SUPPLY

For weeks prior to the removal of the American tariff on cattle, speculators were busy gathering live stock in Canada and then, for some weeks after quite a formidable procession crossed the border. This gathering process has resembled a clean-up, but it is extremely improbable that either Ontario or Quebec can supply the same number to American markets a year hence In some districts nearly everything has been shipped away except dairy cows.

Another cause of the beef shortage is the vealing of so many calves, few more being kept than are really necessary to replenish the dairy herds. The beef industry in Canada should not be allowed to dwindle to the production of veal only. The heifers should be kept for the purpose of producing more calves, to utilize the rough feed on the farm and to make manure to maintain soil fertility. Vealing heifer calves, while it may give the farmer a quick return, is destroying good beef-making material and is too much like killing the goose that lays the golden eggs.— F. C. N.

The December meeting of the River Valley Women's Institute held at Mrs. Peter Palmer's Dec. 4th was especially interesting.

A short reading was given by Mrs. Hatfield, and little Miss Gladys Rosebush gave two songs. Miss Lane President of the Wallbridge Branch, gave a detailed report of the Convention held in Toronto, in November.

The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Wm. Bush, Jan.14th Mrs. Dawson of Parkhill, has graciously consented to give two subjects in the afternoon, "The Farmer's Wife and Her Problems" and "What Our Friends Never Know." At the joint meeting in the evening in River Valley School House, her subject is "Beyond the Hills of Home." Come and bring your lady friends. Lunch will be served in the afternoon.

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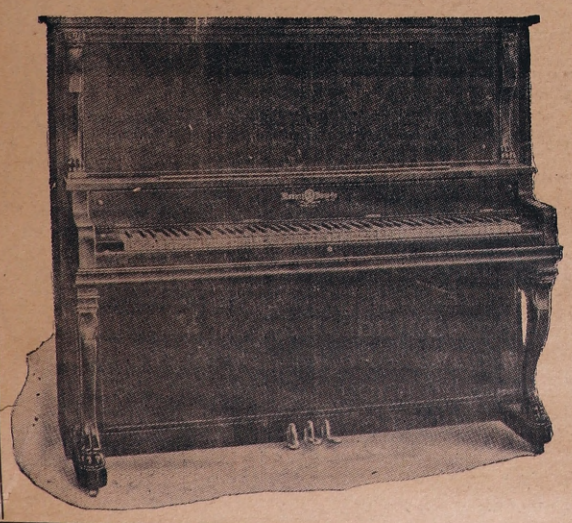

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Roll of Death

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JANUARY.

5. Senator Archibald Campbell, Liberal M.P. for 23 years and Senator since 1906 in West Toronto, aged 68.
5. Lewis Swift, noted astronomer, at Marathon, N.Y.; aged 93.
6. Brig.-Gen. Charles W. Drury, widely known Canadian soldier and South African veteran, of St. John, N.B.; aged 56.
23. Augustus Van Biene, famous actor-violoncellist, in London; aged 63.
Alphonsus O'Connor, R. C. Bishop of Peterboro, Ont.; aged 75.
26. Hon. Col. Arthur James Matheson, Provincial Treasurer of Ontario and member for South Lanark in the Legislature since 1894; aged 70.
27. F. R. Ball, K.C., a prominent lawyer of Woodstock; aged 85.
29. Hon. James Young, former Provincial Treasurer of Ontario and a widely-known Liberal legislator, in Galt; aged 77.
31. Dr. W. Beattie Nesbitt, ex-M.P.P., and ex-President of the defunct Farmers' Bank, in Toronto; aged 47.

FEBRUARY.

1. Dr. Theodor von Holleben, noted German diplomat, in Berlin; aged 74.
13. Charles Major, author of many popular novels of old English life, including "When Knighthood Was In Flower," at Shelbyville, Ind.; aged 57.
17. Joaquin Miller, the "poet of the Sierras," in the Piedmont hills, California; aged 72.
22. Ye Ho Na La, titular Empress Dowager of China, at Pekin; aged 48.

MARCH.

7. Miss E. Pauline Johnson, the Indian Canadian poetess, in Vancouver, B.C.
12. Hon. John G. Haggart, ex-Minister of Railways, and 42 years M.P. for South Lanark, at Perth, Ont.
17. Senator James McMullen, former Liberal M.P., at Mount Forest, Ont.; aged 77.
18. King George of Greece slain at Saloniki; aged 67.
25. Field Marshal Viscount Garnet Joseph Wolseley, famous British soldier, at Mentone, France; aged 80.
31. John Pierpont Morgan, capitalist, in Rome; aged 76.

APRIL.

10. Lady Thompson, widow of Premier Sir John Thompson, in Toronto.
11. Hon. S. Casey Wood, Provincial Secretary under Sir Oliver Mowat, in Toronto; aged 82.
14. Carl Hagenbeck, noted animal-collector and showman, near Hamburg, Germany; aged 69.
20. Sir Charles Rose, Anglo-Canadian Baronet, at Hendon, after a ride in an aeroplane.
23. Sir Richard W. Scott, former Secretary of State for Canada and member of several Liberal Cabinets, in Ottawa; aged 88.
Mrs. Mary Ann Cooper, original of Dickens' "Little Dorrit," in London in her 100th year.

MAY.

8. Lord Avebury, formerly Sir John Lubbock, the famous naturalist and writer, in London; aged 79.

JUNE.

2. Alfred Austin, poet laureate of England, at Ashford, Eng.; aged 78.
7. Dr. L. Forbes Winslow, noted English alienist, in London; aged 69.
11. Peter Elson, Conservative M.P., in London, Ont.; aged 72.
25. George Thatcher, old time minstrel, at East Orange, N.J.; aged 64.
26. The Duke of Sutherland, Britain's greatest landowner; aged 62.

JULY.

1. Henri Rochefort, noted French politician and duelist, in Paris; aged 83.
10. Senator Ellis, editor of The St. John, N.B., Globe, a life-long Liberal, in St. John; aged 77.
Dr. Horace Jayne, noted biologist, at Wellingford, Pa.; aged 54.
16. Lady Clarke, wife of Sir Mortimer Clark, former Lieutenant-Governor of Ontario, in Toronto.
Daniel Dowling, survivor of the famous charge of the Light Brigade in 1854, at Utica, N.Y.; aged 91.
23. James Conmee, former Liberal M.P. for Thunder Bay, soldier, railway builder and lumberman, in Prescott, Ariz.; aged 65.

AUGUST.

2. George Hitchcock, noted American painter, on the island of Marken, Holland; aged 63.
7. Capt. S. F. Cody, British aviator at Aldershot.
13. August Bebel, German Socialist leader, at Zurich; aged 73.
20. Emile Ollivier, noted Premier of France under Napoleon III., at Annecy, France; aged 89.
25. Edmund Morris, R.C.A., Toronto artist, found drowned at Porneuf, Que.; aged 42.

SEPTEMBER.

6. Henry Menier, French chocolate manufacturer, and owner of Anticosti, in Paris; aged 60.
7. George E. Baker, noted war telegrapher, in Philadelphia; aged 65.
11. William Gagnor, Mayor of New York, at sea; aged 62.
21. James Ross, Canadian contractor, engineer, capitalist and art collector, in Montreal; aged 65.
25. Patrick Ford, editor of The Irish World, called "Britain's bitterest enemy"; aged 76.

OCTOBER.

1. Eugene O'Keefe, Toronto brewer, philanthropist, and Chamberlain to Pope Pius X., in Toornto; aged 85.
5. Judge Thomas Ambrose Milne Gorham, at Milton, Ont.; aged 59.
8. Dr. G. H. Kennedy, a distinguished Western Canadian medical man, in Winnipeg; aged 56.
14. Col. John Vance Graveley, widely known military man, in Toronto; aged 72.

NOVEMBER.

12. Lady Strathcona, in London, Eng.; aged 88.
J. S. Cartwright, Master in Chambers at Osgoode Hall, Toronto, a noted lawyer; aged 73.
16. Dr. John Burwash, prominent educationist, in Calgary; aged 71.
18. Rev. Dr. James Ross of London, educationist and scholar, killed in New York by auto; aged 60.
26. Hon. J. E. Larue, prominent Quebec jurist; aged 69.
Prince Lobengula, son of the King of the Matabeles, in Pendleton, Eng.; aged 37.
27. Sir Aemilius Irving, Grand Old Man of Canadian law, treasurer of Upper Canada Law Society, in Toronto; aged 90.

DECEMBER.

2. Cardinal Luigi Oreglia, Dean of the Sacred College at Rome; aged 85.
16. Cardinal Mariano Rampolla, former Papal Secretary of State, at Rome; aged 70.
21. Capt. Soloman Sylvester, of Toronto, a widely-known lake captain and ship-owner; aged 76.
23. Jules Claretie, French author, in Paris; aged 73.

ACTIVITIES ARE GROWING.

Canada's Trade and Immigration Show a Big Increase.

In spite of the world-wide depression of which Canada is getting her share, or perhaps a little less, the year has been a record one in almost every department of the national life.

That this is Canada's century is shown by the marvellous growth in the volume of trade. Figures just compiled for the twelve months ending Oct. 1 show that the total trade of Canada was $1,113,997,253. This is an increase for the corresponding period of 1910, only four years ago, of nearly four hundred million dollars.

Of this enormous total $688,292,457 was imports, and $425,704,796 exports, so that the balance of trade is still greatly against Canada, though the past year has seen a large increase in exports as against imports. Our exports in manufactures are particularly growing, increasing from $39,047,906 in 1912 to $50,280,990 in 1913.

For the eight months of the present fiscal year, ending November last, the exports of agricultural produce easily take the lead. During this period domestic agricultural exports were $142,338,000; for the corresponding eight months of the last fiscal year, domestic agricultural exports were $96,349,000. During the eight months of the present fiscal year the exports of domestic animals and their produce was $38,834,000, compared with $33,949,000 for the corresponding period of 1912. The fisheries were never in a more flourishing condition. For the eight months of the present fiscal year Canada exported of domestic fish $13,556,000, compared with $10,499,000 for the corresponding eight months of 1912.

In many instances the rapid growth of the country has required that any former surplus stock should be sold at home. The cattle export trade is steadily decreasing. In 1905, 1,000,000 head of cattle were sent out; in 1912, the figure had dropped to less than one-twentieth with 49,000 exported, while in 1913 it was much lower.

The influx of new citizens into the Dominion has gone ahead by leaps and bounds. The total immigration to Canada during the first eight months, April to November, of the present fiscal year was 340,399; made up of 132,461 British, 86,272 American and 122,166 from all other countries.

During the eight corresponding months of the last fiscal year the total number was 321,058, composed of 124,813 British, 108,035 American and 88,210 from all other countries. The increase is six per cent.

With these two factors of increased population and smaller supply of necessities the natural result has been the now dominant problem of the high cost of living. The index at Ottawa, where statistics are kept, is creeping up. In October the tell-tale pointer stood at 136.8. At the end of November it read 138.4. The increase was due to the advance in the prices of grains and fodder, beef, sheep, dairy products, (especially eggs), and fresh vegetables. These increases, however, were somewhat offset by declines in flour, glucose, honey, raw cotton and silk, coke, iron, pipe, linseed oil, resin and raw rubber.

The level was higher than a year ago in animals and meats, dairy products, textiles, hides, leathers, boots and shoes, lumber, miscellaneaus building materials, furniture and crockery. A lower level than last year appeared in grains and feddens, fish and paints and oils. Fruits and vegetables were slightly higher, but miscellaneous groceries were somewhat lower than last year.

The feature of the month in retail prices was the advance in eggs, but the movement was also upward in butter, potatoes, coal, milk and prunes. Beef, veal and mutton advanced in some localities, but fresh pork and lard declined in a number of Canadian cities.

No Rivals.

Nell—He says he has never had a rival in love. Belle—I suppose not. He has always been in love with himself.—Philadelphia Record.

There is no possible success without some opposition as a fulcrum.—Oliver Wendell Holmes.

Report of December Examination

Sr. IV. Marks needed to pass—500.

Marjorie Fargey–767; Jean Fargey–664; Lindsay Mc Gee–564; Willie Lanigan–537; Everett Fargey–486; Lenora Lanigan–486.

Jr. IV. Marks to pass—450.

Mabel Montgomery–632; Fred Fargey–581; Clarence Juby–574; Clifford Heath–532.

Jr. III. Marks to pass—360.

Molly Lanigan–446; Florence McGee–422;

II. Marks to pass 361—

Donald Fargey–456; Hazel Reid–427; Lizzie Montgomery–423; Harvey McGowan–420; Mary Fargey–385; Earl Heath–366; Frank Hammond–328; Frank Mc Gee–326; Harold Mc Gee–300;

I. Marks to pass—180

Mildred Heath–292; Letha Hammond–266; Sam Fargey–263; Marie Stapley–235; Kenneth Mc Gowan–218; Roger Rose–197.

Absent— Annie Clare

School— S. S. No. 1. Rawdon.

Teacher— H. B. Allan.

Menie Women's Institute— The monthly meeting of the Menie Institute will be held at the home of Mrs. Lamb on Friday afternoon January 16th. Mrs W. Dawson, of Parkhill will be present and give an address on 'The Farmer's Wife and her Problems.' In the evening a joint meeting of the Farmers and Women's Institute will be held in Lamb Hall. Several addresses will be given and a splendid musical programme is being prepared.

The Institute intends holding a Bag Social in Lambs Hall on Feb. 6th. See posters later.

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A Dark Shadow;

Or, A Coming Vengeance

CHAPTER XXV.—(Continued).

Clive eyed her sternly. "Sara! What are you doing here?" he demanded.

She salaamed again. "I came in search of the sahib," she said. "My mistress gave me a note to send early this morning, and the weather being so fine I take it myself. At the hotel they say the sahib is out walking. I come to find the sahib."

He held out his hand for the note, and she took it from the folds of her shawl. It was a line or two from Lady Edith asking him to lunch at the Grange. He thrust it in his pocket, and gazed at the dusky face moodily and in doubt whether or not he should offer any explanation of his meeting with Mina, in doubt as to whether Sara had seen him take Mina's hand.

"Thank you, Sara," he said. "Will you tell Lady Edith that I will be there?"

"Yes, sahib," said Sara. She stood for a moment or two, eyeing him with a strange intentness; then she salaamed and went on.

Clive mechanically walked towards the hotel. His brain was in a whirl. It was almost impossible for him to think, for his emotions overwhelmed his capacity for reasoning. If he had ever laid the flattering unction to his soul that he had ceased to love Mina, this meeting with her, this discovery that she had not received his telegram and letter, and had fled from Berson's Rents because she thought him faithless, undeceived him. He loved her as devotedly, as passionately as ever.

And that being so, his engagement to Lady Edith suddenly appeared in its true light. When his brain grew clearer and able to act, he saw that in marrying her he would do her a great, a cruel wrong. He had hoped that in time he should be able to love her; but he knew now that the hope was a futile, an impossible one.

Yes, he must, at all costs to her and himself, tell her the truth, the whole truth, and save her from a loveless marriage. But the cost was so great that he naturally shrank from the ordeal through which they must both pass. He would wait until the election was over, until they had returned to town, and the announcement of the rupture of the engagement could be made at a time when it would attract less attention than it would do at the present moment, when his name was so prominently before the public.

He made a pretence of a breakfast, and plunged into work. He had to address a meeting in the forenoon, and forced himself to concentrate his mind on his speech; though he felt that it mattered little whether he were returned for Brimfield or not, mattered little what became of his political career. What he wanted, longed for, was a quiet life away from the world—with Mina!

He was late at the Wynthaw's lunch, and his haggard face, though he endeavored to force a show of cheerfulness, of course attracted attention, and evoked the sympathies of the ladies.

"You will want a long rest after the election, Mr. Harvey," said Lady Wynthaw. "I used to think a fashionable doctor the hardest worked man in the world; but I'm inclined to alter my opinion, and give the palm to a present-day politician. You must take the kind of holiday my doctor goes in for. He spends his fortnight in bed every year; and declares that it does him more good than the seaside or the Continent.—What a successful concert last night!" she went on. "I was so sorry for that pretty young girl who was taken ill! I sent to inquire after her this morning; but her party had just left the hotel. Hers must be hard life—what is the new word for it?—strenuous, isn't it?"

"I also sent," said Lord Chesterleigh, "and was too late. It seemed to me that she saw something, or some one in the audience that startled her; didn't you think so, Clive?"

Clive looked up, but was fortunately spared a reply, for Lady Edith said, with a laugh, before he could answer:

"What a romantic explanation, father! 'A face in the crowd' kind of idea! No; I fancy she lost her words."

"In 'Home, weet Home!'" cried Lady Wynthaw. "My dear!"

"It is not so unlikely as it sounds," insisted Lady Edith. "I know [illegible] who happened to lose his place while he was reading the service, [illegible] couldn't repeat the Creed without the book, though he must have read it hundreds of times!"

The contest continued with unabated ardor; and the day of the poll arrived. The most frantic efforts were being made by the supporters of all three candidates; and Clive's friends were so excited and absorbed in their endeavors that they did not notice the lack of enthusiasm which he suddenly displayed.

On the night before the election Mr. Broddy and Koshki addressed a meeting in the same part of the town as that in which Clive was speaking, and the designations "Traitor," "Fraud," "Sham Friend of the People," were hurled with redoubled vindictiveness against Mr. Clive Harvey. Clive passed the crowd which Koshki was addressing in the open air, and paused a moment to listen. Koshki, who was on his legs at the moment, caught sight of him, and pointed a tremulous, dirty finger at him.

"Yesh; I tell Mr. Harvey to his face that he'sh a deceiver. Once a fraud and a traitor, my friendsh, always a fraud and a traitor. Let his friendsh, the aris-to-crats bevahr, or he'll betray zem as he hash betrayed ush!"

There were groans and hisses, but Clive smiled—rather wearily—and passed on. It was not until he had got out of sound of the raucous voice that Koshki's words took to themselves a significance: was the man not speaking the truth? Was not he, Clive, "betraying his friends"—going to "desert" Lady Edith? The thought made his groan mentally.

The following day Lady Edith, accompanied by as many other ladies as the carriage would hold, drove from polling station to polling station, and was received everywhere with cheers, which drowned the few ungallant hisses. Clive was "busy" too, trying to persuade himself that he was keen on the result, but knowing all the while that he did not care whether he lost or won.

In a scene of the wildest excitement, in an uproar which was "quite like old times," as Lord Chesterleigh said, the Mayor stepped out on the balcony of the Town Hall, and announced the poll. Mr. Clive Harvey had been elected with a majority of nearly five hundred, and was declared Member for Brimfield.

Amidst the cheers, the yells, the curses of the mob, Clive came forward to propose the usual vote of thanks to the Mayor. Gordon seconded it in a manly little speech; then Mr. Broddy's voice was heard in the midst of the mob, where he was surrounded by his friends.

"I declare that the election has been won by trickery!" he shouted hoarsely.

"Yesh!" cried Koshki. "By lies and trickery. But let Mishter Clive Harvey look out for himself. Our hour will come—and sooner than he thinks! I, Koshki, friend of the working man, tell him——"

The rest was drowned in the cheers and yells of the victorious party, who, when Clive appeared at the door of the hotel, proceeded, as usual, to carry him, at the risk of his life and limbs, on their shoulders to his committee-room.

Lady Edith and Lord Chesterleigh followed in the carriage; but it was not until they all met at the Grange that she could whisper her loving congratulations.

"I am so proud, dearest!" she said as she leant against him. "But I knew you would win. Is there anything in which you could fail?"

With a heavy, accusing heart, he laid his hand on her head; it was well that she could not see his face!

"I owe my success in great measure, to you, Edith," he said.

CHAPTER XXVI.

For various reasons, best known to themselves, the candidates, whether victorious or vanquished, always bolt the day after the election from the place in which they have been fighting; and Clive found it necessary to go to London on the day after the poll; he had promised to speak for a political friend who was still fighting one of the London districts. The Chesterleighs were to follow in a day or two.

When he arrived at his rooms, he found a pressing letter from the man who was yet in the throes of his candidateship, and Clive, welcoming the necessity for further work in which to absorb himself, made an apology for a dinner, with a chop, and set out for the place of meeting. He had a hot time of it from friends and foes, and, declining his fellow-politician's invitation to supper, walked through the warm and stuffy streets, wearily and sadly, brooding over the problem of his engagement.

And yet it had almost ceased to be a problem; for he felt that there was only one course open to him—the honest, straightforward one. He must tell Lady Edith the truth.

The meeting had been in a hall in one of the back streets of Chelsea, and Clive found himself at the turning leading to Berson's Rents. It was natural enough that he should be drawn in the direction of the spot where he had experienced the happiest moments of his life; and he passed under the archway, and walked towards the house in which Mina had lived.

As he did so he heard a step behind him, and looking round—for he had learnt that it was as well to keep an eye on your slum neighbor—he saw that it was Quilton.

"Why, Quilton!" he said.

Quilton nodded. "Congratulations——" he began; but Clive cut him short.

"What are you doing here?" he asked; then he checked himself with a sense of self-reproach: he had quite forgotten the woman Quilton had so kindly offered to befriend.

Quilton nodded again. "Yes," he said, as if he had read Clive's mind. "She's very bad; sent for me."

"I'll go with you," said Clive.

Quilton stopped and gazed before him. "Better not," he said.

"Why not? I shall not disturb her," rejoined Clive. "I am ashamed to say that I had nearly forgotten the poor creature. Yes; I'll go with you."

Quilton's face grew like a mask, and he was silent for a moment; then he said with an air of impassive resignation,

"Very well. I'm a little tired of playing at Fate: it's a foolish game, and a losing one."

"I don't know what you mean," said Clive.

"Probably not; but you may presently. Come on."

They entered the house next the one in which the Burrells had lived; and Clive followed Quilton up the stairs. The door of one of the rooms was opened to them by a respectable, motherly old woman, to whom Quilton spoke a word or two.

"She's about the same, sir," said the woman. "I'm afraid she's sinking fast. Will you please to come in? She made me send for you, sir."

They went into the room, and Clive saw the woman propped up with cushions in a chair. She was much emaciated and looked, as the woman in charge had said, as if she were dying. For a moment or two the dark eyes gazed up at Quilton as if she did not recognize him, but suddenly she said, in a weak, hollow voice:

"You have come, Henry. I—I wanted to see you, to tell you I am dying."

Quilton did not contradict her, but responded with a nod. She must have seen behind his mask, however, for she said with a sigh:

"You've been very good to me—better than I deserve.—Who is this?" she asked, turning her heavy eyes on Clive.

"A friend," said Quilton.

"Does he know?" she asked, not eagerly, but wearily, almost indifferently.

"Not yet," said Quilton. "You'd better tell him."

"Why?" she asked with a sigh. "You made me promise to keep the secret."

"Yes," said Quilton; "but I've changed my mind, so far as he is concerned. Shall I tell him, Juanita?"

She made a gesture of assent with her hand, and Quilton turned to Clive, and, without a word of preparation, said:

"This is Lady Chesterleigh, Mr. Harvey."

Clive did not start; he scarcely felt surprised; why, he knew not. He received the information without a sign or a word.

"Lady Chesterleigh," said Quilton. "She is his first wife."

Then the ghastly significance of the statement began to dawn on Clive; and his face paled.

Quilton nodded as if again he had read Clive's mind.

"Yes. His first wife—this lady—was alive when he married the second time," he said. "Of course, he was ignorant of the fact. She left him in a moment of jealousy, quite unfounded and unreasonable jealousy, and she contrived to have a report of her death conveyed to him. Why? you ask." He smiled grimly, and glanced at the woman. "When jealousy turns love to hate——"

"I never loved him!" broke from the woman's white lips. "I married him for all he could give me, rank, money."

"And she surrendered these as well as her husband," said Quilton, gravely, unemotionally. "Somebody says jealousy is as strong as death; anyhow it's stronger than self-interest and common-sense." He paused a moment, and then added, as if in explanation. "Lady Chesterleigh is Spanish. You know now why she was at Palace Gate and in Grosvenor Square. Why she did not publicly declare her rank and publicly demand her rights she knows better than I do."

"I was ashamed at times," said the woman. "At others—I—I wanted revenge; but my courage always failed me; and now I know—he"—she meant Quilton—"has made it clear to me—that the fault was mine, and that I should be silent to the end. But for my child—but you will take care of her, Henry?" she broke off listlessly.

Her eyes closed, and her arms fell on the arms of the chair. Quilton bent over her, then turned to Clive.

"She is exhausted," he said. "But there is no more to be said. We'd better go.—I'll send the doctor in," he added to the woman who was administering a restorative, "and I'll come back in the morning early."

He had to touch Clive before Clive could rouse himself from the stupor into which he had sunk; and he got up and walked out with Quilton like a man in a dream. Both men were silent until they reached Clive's rooms; then Clive sank into a chair, and leant his head on his hands. Quilton lit a pipe, eyeing the haggard face absently.

"Strange story, isn't it?" he said dryly. "And, stranger still, it's true. You're wondering—or perhaps you haven't got room to wonder—where I come in? I loved her. See? I was going to marry her, but she jilted me for my Lord Chesterleigh. Oh, I don't bear him a grudge. It was a lucky escape for me, no doubt. I suppose I've never quite got over my infatuation—I was much younger than she was—for I'm sorry for her."

Clive broke in with a groan.

"His first wife—and alive! Then—then, the other marriage! Lady Edith—is—is illegitimate!" The sweat stood out on his forehead, and he turned his eyes away from Quilton's gaze.

"Yes," said Quilton; and the small word meant volumes.

"Dear me," said Clive. "What—what is to be done? She does not know——?"

Quilton shrugged his shoulders. "Not yet. It rests with you whether she should ever know."

"With me?"

"Yes," said Quilton in a matter-of-fact tone. "Only three of us know the truth; and there will be only two presently. If you like to declare it—well and good. I shouldn't. You would have to prove it. You'd find it rather difficult." He paused a moment as if reflecting. "In fact, you'd find it almost impossible. Questions of identity are hard to decide—especially when the lawyers take a hand in it."

Clive passed his hand over his brow.

"But—but the woman spoke of a child," he said hoarsely. "Her child and—his, Lord Chesterleigh's. Merciful goodness, Quilton, don't—don't you see the injustice silence would perpetuate?"

"No, I don't," responded Quilton curtly. "I suppose to your aristocratic mind it seems dreadful that a girl should be robbed of her rank and her father's wealth. I don't. It all depends upon the way in which you regard it. The girl is happy"—he paused a moment almost imperceptibly—"she has a career—a higher one, according to my notions, than that of a peer's daughter—she has never missed her father."

Clive rose with a gesture repudiating the argument.

"It is the right, the justice of the thing!" he said.

"Hem, yes. From your point of view; but she ought to have some say in it. She ought to decide. We'll let her do so, eh?"

"You know where she is?" asked Clive.

Quilton looked at him curiously. "Yes; I discovered her whereabouts, her identity, quite lately," he said. "Of course, she doesn't bear her father's name, is unaware of her relationship, to Lord Chesterleigh.—Why, man, can't you guess who she is? Where have been your eyes?"

Clive stared at him.

"I don't understand," he said thickly. "I do not know her. Where is she, who is she?"

Quilton slowly relit his pipe, which had gone out, keeping his eyes fixed on Clive.

"She is Mina Burrell," he said quietly.

Clive dropped back in his chair in stony amazement.

"Mina!" he exclaimed at last.

"Surprised?" said Quilton sardonically. "I'm surprised that you didn't see the likeness; but I suppose it wasn't so strange. You did not know her mother when she was young. Hold on a moment."

He went out, and returned in a few minutes—minutes spent by Clive in attempting to grasp the stupendous fact revealed by Quilton—and returned with a miniature.

"There you are. Look at that, and admit that the likeness is undeniable. The mother was once as beautiful as the daughter is."

Clive examined the miniature. "It is Mina herself!" he said; "but no, there is a difference."

"Yes; the difference between a girl with a gentle, lovable disposition—got from her father, of course—and a woman with a passionate, ungovernable temper. I haven't bored you with the details of the desertion, and her adoption by Elisha. I only discovered them by careful, underground inquiries. Enough that Elisha found the child in the street where the mother had left her. It's not a nice story; not the kind of story, the kind of mother, any one would like to introduce to the public through the sensational newspaper reports, not the kind of story one would like told in detail in the Law Courts."

Clive had risen, and was pacing the floor in restless agitation.

"But—the injustice of the concealment!" he said.

"To whom? What would Mina gain by acquiring Lord Chesterleigh for a father? Rank? Of what use would it be to her? Money? She will earn, in the most delightful way, more than she will know what to do with. What would Lord Chesterleigh gain by the revelation of the truth? A daughter of whom he knows nothing; and, on the other hand, he would lose a daughter, Lady Edith, to whom he is devotedly attached. And think of her!"

"I am thinking of her," said Clive hoarsely.

"Quite so. Of course, you, with your correct and highly-toned mind——"

"For goodness sake, don't mock me!" groaned Clive.

"Pardon. But you are thinking of the ethical, the moral side of the question, of course; the 'duty' of revealing the truth. My dear fellow, do you imagine this case of Mina's is without parallel, that it stands alone? What about the Warsdale peerage? It is generally known that the present real earl is out in the backwoods of America. What about the Penleigh baronetcy? The man who bears the title is the cousin of the real man, who, for family reasons, keeps a store in British Columbia. What about—oh, I could recall several cases to your memory. And in this one, bear in mind, it is not a question of succession. They are both women; no title, excepting the mere courtesy one, 'Lady,' is at stake. It is just probable that Mina will marry a title: she is beautiful, gifted enough to catch half the peerage. And Lady Edith——" He paused, and Clive turned and faced him with a white, drawn face.

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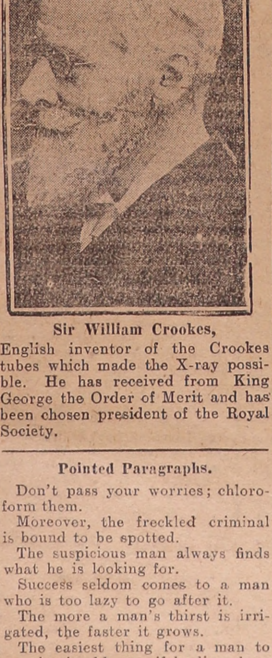

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Apprentices and Farmers Figure in Romance of the Peerage.

Not to doughty deeds of arms, although their ancestral halls are decorated with many a trophy of the battle, but to the keen business acumen, commercial instinct, and the ability of the forefathers to strike a bargain, do many of England's "old nobility" owe their rank and riches. Apprentices, farmers, drapers, grocers, brewers and even large owners figure in the romances of the peerage and baronetcy, a mere accident sometimes leading the way to a title, estates and great privileges in the old days.

Since one Edward Osborne jumped from old London bridge to save his master's daughter from drowning, afterwards marrying her and acquiring by the marriage a goodly estate, every ambitious apprentice has been watching for a similar chance, for Edward Osborne was the founder of the Duke of Leeds' family, and it was his son who, by court influence and intrigue, attained to the highest rank in the peerage.

Earl of Dudley.

And it was William Ward, another London apprentice, who founded the family of the Earl of Dudley. He came up to London when a lad, and was bound apprentice to a city goldsmith. A lucky chance placed him in possession of rare riches, for shortly after he had set up in business for himself in Lombard Street a sailor who had just landed from his ship came in and offered to sell him what proved to be a lot of rough diamonds. Ward bought them at an immense advantage to himself, as well as a second lot which the sailor brought the next day, and it was this lucky stroke of fortune which enabled Ward to become jeweler to the court. But it was the bargain he struck with the last of the Suttons, Lord of Dudley, which enabled him to enter the peerage. The Lord of Dudley was hard up, and wanted a £20,000 loan on ample security. Ward replied that he might do better than that. He himself had a son, Humble by name, and his lordship had a granddaughter. If his lordship would marry the young lady to his son, Humble Ward, he would be well satisfied with that security. The bargain was struck, and thus the Wards and Suttons became united.

David Cecil, the first of the Salisbury's, was a middle class water bailiff, and could only bequeath his daughter the moderate sum of £20 at his death; but his son Richard was a page, and afterwards groom of the robes to Henry VIII., and he made such good use of his opportunities that he was successful in obtaining huge grants of and a title for his son, William Cecil, who became Lord Burghley.

And it was no northern baron who founded the house of Bedford, but one Henry Russell, who in the fifteenth century made a modest living out of the part ownership of a barge at Weymouth.

Ancestors Kept Sheep.

Nearly 300 years ago there was a piquant scene in the House of Lords, when the Earl of Arundel taunted the Earl Spencer of those days with the fact that a time when certain great events were happening Lord Spencer's ancestors were keeping sheep.

"When my ancestors were keeping sheep, as you say," retorted Lord Spencer, "your ancestors were plotting treason."

It is an incident in the family history of the Spencers which recalls the fact that they sprang from farmers who bred their sheep and cattle in the Warwickshire fields in the fifteenth century, the founder of the line being John Spencer, a grazier, who took to wife the daughter of one William Graunt, a husbandman.

The founder of the house of Anglesey was a William Paget, son of one of the sergeants of the mace in the city, while about 500 years ago, the Bathursts were trading as clothiers at Canterbury and Staplehurst. Ultimately one Launcelot Bathurst became a Lodon alderman and his grandson secured a title.

Reference to the Spencers reminds one that 350 years ago the head of the house of Cavendish, of which the Duke of Devonshire is now chief, was an obscure landowner in Suffolk, who had the good luck to obtain an appointment as treasurer of the chamber of the king, and obtained grants of land from which the Cavendishes derived enormous wealth.

The Marquis of Ripon is lineally descended from a line of tradesmen at York, whose name he bears, and it was behind the counter that the foundations of his house were laid; while there would be no Earl of Craven to-day, if William Craven, son of a Yorkshire husbandman in Queen Elizabeth's time, had not taken it into his head to tramp to London to win a fortune.

Won Fortune and Peerage.

The Earls of Essex are equally indebted for fortune and rank to William Capel, a poor Suffolk boy, who like William Craven, tramped to London and found riches; while John Baring, the son of a parson, "passing rich on £40 a year," similarly became the founder of four noble houses, two of earls—Cromer and Northbrook—and two of barons.

The Earl of Onslow has for forefather one Thomas Foot, who was a grocer's assistant in the days of the first Stuart king, while among other proud peers whose progenitors served behind the counter are the Earls of Brownlow, Denbigh and Leicester.

Perhaps one of the most remarkable romances of the baronetcy is that provided by the history of the Cummings, the representative of which, Sir Kenneth William Cumming, has seen service in all parts of the world. Sir Kenneth entered the medical service of the army in 1862, and retired twenty years later after becoming honorable brigadier surgeon. The first baron was ruined in the South Sea Bubble, and sold the family estate in Aberdeenshire. The second baronet emigrated to North America, where he was elected chief of the Cherokee Indians, and it was his absence from England which led to the baronetcy being deemed extinct. But it was assumed in 1877 by Sir Kenneth Cumming.

The house which is now represented by the Marquis of Lansdowne and Lord Fitzmaurice really originated through William Petty, son of a Hampshire clothier, while the first Lord Eldon was the son of a Newcastle coal merchant, who commenced life by making a runaway match with the daughter of a Newcastle banker. Ultimately he was called to the bar, and his brilliant capabilities led him rapidly to the woolsack.

A Radical Earl.

It is the fashion in certain circles to twit Lord Carrington, one of the prime movers in the small holdings movement, with his sympathies for the workingman. The scoffers rarely get the best of the encounter, however, for the radical earl, to a good humor that is seldom ruffled, adds a ready wit that is seldom at fault.

"Tut, tut," is his usual answer. "I was one myself two or three generations ago." Which is quite true, for the founder of his family was one John Smith, a respectable draper of Nottingham.

To these examples of peers who have sprung from the people in bygone days could, of course, be added quite a number of instances of men who, during the last few years, have won peerages by reason of their great business capabilities. There is Lord Devonport, who started life as the son of an Uxbridge carpenter, with very little money. When 21 he went into business on his own account. Keen, resolute and devoted to work, he forged ahead until he became as Hudson Kearley, the principal partner in the great wholesale house of Kearley & Tonge, the great tea importers and merchants, being made a baronet in 1908, and a baron two years later.

Then mention might be made of the fact that Lord Brassey's father was the humble son of a Cheshire yeoman, who first achieved wealth and fame by successfully exploiting "navvies," navigators as they were termed, in the construction of railway tracks. Engineers in England, Europe and America sought his services and so many were his undertakings that he came to have an army of 75,000 in his employ.

Things—Big and Little.

What do you think of this for smallness? It would take 250,000 years to count the atoms on a pin's head. We would hate to begin it for fear we wouldn't end it. But we must take the word of science for it. But this is not half the story. Now, if you take one of those inconceivably small atoms and explore the interior of it, you will find a universe filled with circling orbs, much like a solar system, and every orb with a motion of its own that is calculated down to the .000000001 of a second and with a course as exact as a planet's. Sometimes we like to get onto such facts and speculations, when we think of how small we are in this world of tears, and how insignificant are human events generally. They help to make a fellow hold up his head and feel that he is bigger than a universe of atoms anyhow, and yet it is no time for vanity.

"Have you hot water in your house?" "Have I? My dear boy, I am never out of it."

On the Farm

Scraping Apple Trees.

Dr. J. B. Dandeno, Bowmanville.

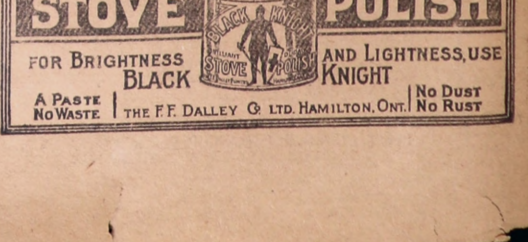
On the question of scraping apple trees a difference of opinion seems to exist as to the advisability of scraping the coarse bark off old apple trees. It is not the intention here to inflict the views of the writer upon the orchardist; but rather to give an explanation, with reasons, relative to the effects upon the trees which have been scraped. The arguments offered in favor of scraping are:—(1) It removes scale insects, and eggs or cocoons of other insects; (2) it somehow or other improves the growth of the tree.

The arguments against it are:—(1) It removes a coating of cork which is a non-conductor of heat, and therefore leaves the tree more liable to frost injury and sun scald; (2) if removed deeply—and it is almost impossible not to scrape too deeply—the tree suffers from drying out, or loss of moisture which may be considerable during cold dry weather; (3) if wounded in this way down to the living layers, fungus diseases gain a foothold; (4) it is a waste of time, and if the bark so scraped off is not burned the insects and eggs are still capable of injury.

This outside cork layer is impervious to water, and at the same time it permits passage of gases, that is to say, it supplies the tree with a covering perfectly suitable to its needs. And, as it is a non-conductor of heat, it protects the tree against sudden changes of temperature.

It is stated that the chief insect aimed at in scraping is the oyster shell scale, or bark louse. This can not be very serious, for this scale can not penetrate the bark of the trunk and therefore can do no damage there. It must crawl to the twigs where the bark is thin. However, even if there were many scales on the trunk, it would be so much easier to kill them with lime-sulphur. One could spray ten trees while he would scrape one, and destroy the scale much more effectually.

Mrs. Casey was proud of her strong, muscular son, and still more proud of him when he went into a gymnasium and made himself locally famous, says The Argonaut. Then one day a rumor reached her ears which she didn't like, and when Michael came home that night she proceeded to take him to task. "Look here, Mike Casey, what's this I'm hearing about yer doin's at the gymnasium? Don't ye know it's poor we are, an' havin' no money to pay for yer destructive carryin' on?" "Why, what do ye mean, mother?" asked the astonished Mike. "Ain't they sayin' all over town that ye have broke two of their best records down there?" she howled.



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Below we reprint a letter written to the Campbellford News a few weeks ago. Country merchant has some good points and a lot of truth in the position taken by him, but country merchants, village merchants and small town merchants have themselves considerably to blame for the position of business to-day. TRUCK BUSINESS as conducted by almost all our merchants is largely responsible for it and it seems about time for our merchants to abandon it and pay cash for what produce they handle, and the highest price paid by their competing market, and allow the sellers to get their wants supplied as they require having their cash to do so. The merchants with courage to take this course would soon find an improvement.

Appropo of this position a little occurrance that occurred shortly before Xmas in one of our stores and one that would likely pay the highest price of any in the village. A lady came in with 2 or 3 chichens and a few pounds of butter was told the price allowed took it saying nothing to the proprietor, who was waiting on her got her exchanges and left, but while he was away getting something for her she turned to a lady friend of the village with whom she was talking and said I have 50 or 60 fowl to sell and a lot of butter but from this out its Belleville for me, this ladie's Xmas trade went to Belleville, Stirling got a few little crumbs perhaps. This is what is likely occurring in many instances, and should give our merchants food for thought. We have one or two little stories along the same lines later, and also some advice to offer our farmer friends and village neighbors as to their dealings with their local or home towns, as soon as the time can be spared.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE NEWS:

Dear Sir,—I read with much interest the item, "Mail Order Houses Buy Newspapers." This with a few other things, which public attention might be drawn to, might serve to show them where they are thoughtlessly placing themselves and their community. For instance, answering the following questions you hear asked every day;

Why is money so scarce? Why are my taxes higher with no visible results? Why are our roads worse by far than 20 years ago? Why is there little or no available help? Why is it our towns and villages are lifeless?

The reason, dear public, is:—You send your cash to the big mail order house in the city; your sons and daughters can get no spending money at home, so they follow the money you sent to the city; property in the country which sold 20 years ago for four or five thousand dollars, sells to-day, with good buildings added, for two or three. A higher rate must be struck to raise the same amount of taxes, which will only accomplish one half as much on account of high price of labor. Our local merchants get little or no cash, consequently, as money makes the mare go, our local towns and villages present a slow appearance

But how about the other end of the deal? The city papers say, look at the great growth of our city, buildings going up by the hundreds, business concerns becoming multi-millionaires, etc., all at the expense of the surrounding country. All these things pile up enormous tax bills to make fine city streets, and large public buildings, and the same citizens point with pride and say, see what we have done, when in reality, it is—who?

Patrons of the mail order houses think this over, and see if it is safe to fatten this mercantile octupus which is swallowing your towns, farms, sons daughters and money.

For example, look at the great republic to the south of us with their one hundred millions of people writhing in the ever closing grip of the Standard Oil Company. This concern they fed because it offered the bait of a few cents less than a competitor.

Now, dear public, think it over, and if it looks good fill out another $25.00 order for the mail order house, and when you go to your nearest town to dispatch it take a few dressed chickens some butter and potatoes to let your local merchant have on the account that has been standing for the last 12 or 15 months, and have him stand the balance off until you sell that batch of hogs next March. It will cheer his heart, and help him well out with the sigt draft due to-morrow for $350.00.

A COUNTRY MERCHANT.

Read what Cobourg says about the Jubilee singers who appear at the Opera House Stirling Monday Jan. 12 at 8 o' clock.

We congratulate the Official Board of the Methodist church upon their happy decision to engage the Canadian Jubilee Singers' appearance in Cobourg. The concert took place last Friday evening, and was an unqualified success, as the house was filled and the entertainment wholly satisfactory to all. The Jubilee Singers are all colored people, each possessing a wonderful musical gift, and all uniting their diverse talents to form a strong and most pleasing company. They possess individually a large share of that intense love of music for which their race is famed, and in almost every case their technical training has been excellent. The male quartet convulsed the house with their comic character songs, and always received most rousing encores. And there was something wildly sweet and stirring in those negro melodies given by the entire company. The harmony seemed perfect and their selections were all fraught with interest. They were just the very melodies the rich-voiced slaves sang in the old plantation days, after the day's labor in the cotton field was done. "Suwanee River," and "My Old Kentucky Home" never seemed quite as sweet to us before, and we are sure all who heard Friday night's music are looking forward to another appearance in Cobourg of the Jubilee Singers.—Cobourg Sentinel Star.

Below we print a few facts gleamed by the Editor of the Ontario on the progress of the German Empire in comparatively a few years.

Jumping from one of the poorest of the nations to a very close second to top-notch England, and which will plainly show how easy it is for fricition to arrive between the two countries, caused by keen competition of unscrupulous merchants. and the greatest wonder is that they are not able to make more mischief than they do.

Since the German Empire was established it has changed from agriculture to industrialsm. When the Empire was founded its population was less than 41,000,000. Twenty years before there were but 36,000,000. In 1900 there were 56,000,000 on the same territory, and in 1910 65,000,000. Yet in the fifties and sixties Gremany seemed overcrowded. Even in the early eighties the emigration to America from Germany was over 200,000 a year. Now with all the increase of population and, as you would infer, of increased pressure on the means of subsistence the emigration is only a tenth part of what it was then. The 65,000,000 find it more feasible to stay at home than the 40,000,000 found it then. That is, they have found additional means of livelihood. Germany imports much of its food and much of its raw material, but exports so much of the finished product that it has become the second commercial nation of the world. The total foreign commerce of the United States is 13,871,000,000 German marks, that of France 10,212,000,000 while that of Germany has risen to 17,614,000,000, surpassed only by the 24,741,000,000 of Great Britain, whose commercial supremacy Germany distinctly challenges. And this achievement has been accomplished in spite of the serious drawback that her colonies, which would be her exlusive markets, are so much fewer and smaller than those of any other first class Power, leaving out of the comparison such Continental Powers as Russia and the United States. That is the grievance against fate of the German Empire, that it was born "born too late into a world too old" and did not take part in the great distribution of the newly discovered continents. Whatever she aspires to, in the way of territorial possessions, is marked "reserved."

A FEW SYMPATHIZINGS.

A few sympathizing thoughts in departing from you in this locality may God be with you one and all, the sorrows of me being deprived of living among my boyhood school friends and other social friends of my birthplace, a place where I always had the earthly desire to live peaceable among you in my old age, until laid at rest in my last earthly place, depriving me of my righteousness and proper protections as a British subject. These terrible feelings of sympathy for your earthly treatment th me brings me to a state of feelings to rejoice when my earthly life is ebbed out, glad that I have a sympathizing spirit to lead me to gladness if God will only help me spiritually to reach you spiritually and gladness will overcome me when you are bare with God, do not mock God, seriously discuss the situation over with God alone, not me, as I am not worthy of a thought or consideration, earthly with you brothers and sisters one and all appearing friends or enemies, as we in our earthly tabernacle must be born again in spirit bringing Friendship, Love, Truth and Righteousness for Christ's sake, not this born again in the flesh to mock God and deceive man.

Please forgive me if I have said or did anything to wrong you in the past or future, I never had any desire to or feelings to bring harm, and hope I never will, my grievances and expressthereof are sorrows relieved when told or expressed to others. To you dear readers it may seem with an evil intent; with me dear readers it is the opposite these grievances have brought me to sorrows, these sorrows have brought me spiritual gladness and love for rigteousness. May God be with you one and all, and bring here on earth Friendship Love and Truth hereafter longing for God's spiritual influence.

Joseph Q. Green.

Farm Topics!

"Does Each Cow Pay?"

Some records of total production for the last seven months sent in to the dairy division, Ottawa, showing how individual cows on adjoining farms vary in real earning capacity, will be of both interest to the average farmer and of value to the men who are planning for better results next year.

A ten-year-old cow that calved on March 12 has given since then just 2,812 pounds of milk and only 102 pounds of fat. A neighboring 7-year-old, calved 2nd April, gave 6,420 pounds of milk and 228 pounds of fat, a little more than twice as much. In another contrasted pair in Glengarry, an eight-year-old, calved 6th April, gave only 3,394 pounds of milk and 129 pounds of fat; while a five-year-old calved 26th March, gave 7,280 pounds of milk and 241 pounds of fat, or again more than twice as much milk.

Have these two owners of such poor cows the wrong type of cow; is it the old placid contentment with "average" yields, which are liable to degenerate so quickly into poor yields? An income from the milk of of one cow of only $28, when another adjoining cow earns $72 as seen above, cannot be cannot be considered satisfactory when a man is supposed to be keeping cows with the object of making money A simple milk record shows definitely which cows in the herd earn the most; don,t "average" good and poor together, keep the best' but be sure that each cow pays.

CO-OPERATIVE PROTECTION PREVENTS LARGE LOSSES

The forest fire loss on Dominion Forest Reserves in Western Canada was smaller during the last season than ever before. On several of the reserves in Manitoba and Saskatchewan fire occasioned no damage whatever, and on the Dominion reserves in the Railway Belt, B. C., the only green timber injured by fire was four acres of young lodgepole pine. Even on the Rocky Mountains reserve in Alberta, with the immense area of 13,373,856 acres, most of which is remote from settlement, fire destroyed only 1,150 acres of young timber, whose present value was small, and mature timber to the value of $ 150.00. The total area burnt on this reserve was but two one-hundredths of one per cent of the above acreage, and it is likely, when the reports are complete from the other reserves, which are smaller and usually better protected, that the aggregate area burnt over by fire will be no greater than one one-hundredth of one per cent of the total reserved area.

That the fire loss on Dominion reserves in the West has been so remarkably small is due in large measure to the fact that the Government rangers unceasingly sought, and obtained, the co-operation of all with whom they came in contact, whether settler, Indian, hunter, tourist or packer. The new fire-posters ask for this co-operation instead of demanding it as previously; a plea for it is printed on railway timetables and on hunting licenses; it is secured from homesteaders by providing them with fire-fighting tools and by connecting rural telphone lines with ranger stations on forest reserves, and even the Indians, many of whom were careless with fire, are now induced to assist in its prevention by being presented honorary metal badges by the Dominion Government. Carelessness is the chief cause of forest fire and by its elimination the greatest difficulty in forest fire protection is overcome.

ALL THAT WAS LEFT OF THEM.

On clearing the harbor the ship ran into a nasty, half-pitching, choppy sea, which was especially noticeable as the twenty-five passengers at the captain's table sat down to dinner.

"I hope that all twenty-five of you will have a pleasant trip," said the captain as the soup appeared, "and that this little assembly of twenty four will be much benefited by the voyage. I look upon these twenty-two smiling faces as a father upon his family, for I am responsible for the safety of this group of seventeen. I hope that all fourteen of you will join me in dainking to a merry trip. I believe that we eight are most congenial and I applaud the judgment which chose these three persons for my table You and I, my dear sir, are—Here steward, clear away those dishes and bring me the fish!"

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IN THE MATTER of the Estate of Annie G. Runnalls, late of the Township of Rawdon, in the County of Hastings, Married Woman, deceased.

Notice is hereby given pursuant to section No. 53, Chapter No. 26 of the Statutes of Ontario, one George 5th.

That all persons having claims against the said Annie G. Runnalls deceased, who died on or about the 27th, day of February A. D. One thousand nine hundred and ten, in the Township of Rawdon aforesaid, are required to send by post prepaid or deliver to Abraham D. Runnalls, the administrator, Harold Post Office, Ontario, or to his Solicitor as hereunder on or before the 30th, day of January A. D. One thousand nine hundred and fourteen, their names and addresses with full particulars of their claims in writing and the nature of securities, if any held by them fully verified by Statutary Declaration.

And further take notice that after said 30th, day of January, A. D. one thousand nine hundred and fourteen, the Assets of the Said Estate will be distributed by the Administrator among the parties entitled thereto having regard only to the claims which he shall then have notice and the estate will not be liable for any claims not filed at the time of said distribution.

Dated at Stirling this 30th, day of December, 1914.

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"A Marriage Has Been Arranged——"

"What you ought to do, Fowler, is to marry some sensible girl," suggested John Brightside. "None of your flighty, useless dolls, but a real man's woman—a mate. Don't you know one?"

"I have never had any idea of marrying," confessed Tom, with a touch of color on his sallow cheeks at the unexpected question.

"I can understand that," said the genial chief. "You are one of those lonely, self-conscious beggars who never make friends. The ordinary bright girl thinks chaps like you too slow for a funeral. It isn't too late——"

Tom shook his head. It was kind of the old guv'nor to concern himself, but he had no false illusions on that score. He was forty. To the typists in the office, just "a frumpy old bachelor"; to the fellows, "Fowler"—never Tom.

The office looked down on him as a stick. He knew that well enough. Some of the fellows had seen him pushing out a bathchair at nights; all of them laughed at his ready-made clothes and his fight against time as evidenced by the blackness of his thinning hair, in contrast with the frosty stubble which two days' growth on face and chin revealed.

They saw in his pretences fear of losing his job, and were amused, because the sinking in of his cheeks, his spectacles, and the network of lines around his eyes made such pretences idle.

As he thought now of the chief's kindly words, it seemed that during his recent trouble he had been unduly fearful.

It was evident now that his value had been rightly appraised. The shrewd head regarded him as reliable, a very safe man for routine work, where smartness often meant scamping and mistakes. He was never guilty of skylarking, and he never stole minutes from the office hours.

His two pounds a week, at any rate, Tom felt to be secure.

Sisterly interest would have been all for Tom's good, but he was an only child. As long as he could remember, his mother had been ailing. At her death his father had broken down. For ten years he had been the breadwinner, tending the exacting and querulous old man uncomplainingly as a bounden duty.

Marriage had never struck Tom as a possibility for himself. He understood that for every man there was somewhere a woman; but the coming together resulted from mutual attraction, and in his life no girl had ever evinced interest. He was hardly the type to attract—sallow-faced, gaunt, and round-shouldered, lacking utterly in personal magnetism or good looks.

Work and the duties at home, which he had all along taken as inevitable, had made up Tom Fowler's drab existence; yet, being, as most of us, normally healthy, there had been times of questioning.

Marriage was not essential to the happiness of man or woman. He could recall several old bachelors who seemed to enjoy life excellently. It seemed to him, too, that women, out in the world earning their living, meeting men in competition, had assumed a new independence, as if the former idea of their mission had been modified with the times.

Yet—his musing always led him to this—given the right partner, there was no doubt about it, the best of life came with the linking together for better or worse. There was Baxter. The glad look on his face that morning when he had proudly announced the gift of the little stranger had been something not easily forgotten.

"A son, my boys! Delighted? It's glorious! That little wife with the snuggling kiddy in her arms—her own—and mine—I tell you—the greatest, most joyous thing in life!"

Baxter was a steady-going, sensible chap, yet he could talk about it like that!

Tom had regarded the women he met in his comings and goings with a new interest from the time of that talk.

The neatly-costumed, ladylike girl, with the colorless face and somewhat sad expression, who had for years used the same trams, held his thoughts particularly.

In age he judged her nearly as old as himself. He knew her as one of Rogerson's hands—a blousemaker—a girl whom most people would probably consider plain; just one of the workaday crowd like himself. Sensible and capable, he was very sure—a girl in every way fitted for the wifehood she had missed.

Tom had often thought that this girl, in different circumstances, would have radiated happiness. Her rare smile lingered in his memory. He had felt that he would like to know her, but self-consciousness had always withheld the approach. What girl would wish to talk to him—a middle-aged stick of a quill-driver? The idea was foolish.

He had never spoken. For the ten years of his ungrudging attention to his invalid father he had seen her almost every working day. He had come to regard her as quite an old friend, but they had remained strangers. And now the father had gone at last to his long rest. Home ties had been snapped. Tom, the lonely man, was lonelier than ever, facing a cheerless future.

Because he knew the circumstances of the case, the chief, out of kindly interest, had summoned him to his office.

"Personally, I believe every healthy man should marry as soon as he can support a home," he went on. "It may sound unkind to say so, but I think you've wasted a good slice of your life in a mistaken sense of duty. It isn't fair to expect a man to forego happiness which should rightly be his. However, you've certainly got nothing to reproach yourself with on the score of filial duty. From to-day the future's yours. Tell me—I'm not asking out of idle curiosity—has there never been a girl?"

In his friendly way he elicited the confession, imparted shamefacedly, haltingly, regarding the demure and modest lady of the car.

"We've never spoken—I have never dared—but I have come to look on her as an old and dear friend. Her name is Minnie Jeffs. I've seen it on a book she carried. She is at Rogerson's. If ever I married, that is the woman I should like in my home."

John Brightside did not laugh just then. That came afterwards, when Tom had gone.

"What you want is a bit of leisure time to settle plans," he said, with a slap on the back. "You take a fortnight and go off to the sea. Here's the address of a capital little place in Devon—stayed there myself. I'm writing Mrs. George you're going as my guest. Do you understand? Get off with you now!"

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Mr. Rogerson, in his shirt-sleeves, looked up from his desk at the entrance of the visitor, and rose with the card in his fingers. He was puzzled to know what the head of Brightside's—the great firm of engineer's—could possibly want with Joe Rogerson, the blouse-maker.

"Mr. Brightside?" he said.

"No other," returned the genial, whitehaired caller, regarding the pink-faced little blouse-maker with a friendly smile. "Although we've been trying to earn an honest penny for many years in the same locality, moving in different lines, we've never become acquainted. Glad to meet you, sir."

The little man waved his hand to the callers' chair.

"What can I do for you, sir?" he asked.

"I'm taking you for a happy husband and father," laughed John, as he took the chair. "You have that look."

"After thirty years of it, that speaks well," admitted Joseph. "Three fine girls, sir, all married off. We're as we were again—a little older, maybe a little wiser, but still sweethearts."

"It's good to be able to say that when the children have gone and the two are left to finish the journey together," said John.

"After all's weighed up, Rogerson—and we two can judge it—what, I ask you, is the best that life can offer any man?"

"Why, just that—the abiding love of a good woman," returned Joseph, with a thoughtful smile, which turned into a laugh. "What can I do for you, sir?"

"You've got a girl here named Minnie Jeffs. Tell me about her."

"One of my forewomen, sir. Been with me fifteen years quite. Just one of those quiet, modest girls who would have made an excellent wife. It is only in the wear and tear of marriage that the man learns to appraise good qualities before looks. I don't want to lose Minnie. She would be very hard to replace here; but there's no question about it, a jolly good helpmate has been lost to some man."

"It isn't too late, I hope?" laughed old man Brightside. "Perhaps you'll let me see her, and then I'm going to tell you something."

"This window commands the work-room," said Joseph. "That's Minnie at the cutting-out table. Parents died many years ago. She lives in lodgings. A cheerless existence for any woman, compared with what it might have been had the right man turned up."

John regarded the girl with an approving smile.

"I like the look of Minnie," he confessed. "You're going to hand over her insurance card, Rogerson. There's a clerk of mine named Fowler——"

Beamingly, as if already he saw the happy success of his plan, he told the story of diffident Tom who had never walked out with a girl.

"These two have been meeting this way many a year," he ended. "You know how, in such circumstances, faces get impressed on the mind, and how at odd times fancy plays about them. They're really old friends—and yet strangers. Here's the chap been too timorous to break the ice, although probably the girl would not have resented his advances. A pair cut out for each other, friend Rogerson."

A merry twinkle showed in the eyes of the little blouse-maker.

"For a man of iron——"

Old John Brightside laughed with him, and wagged a reproving finger.

"For a cutter like you!" he chuckled.

"What's to be the way of it?" questionsd Joseph.

"Just this," returned John. "The girl wants color in her cheeks. She needs a holiday. You're going to send her to a little cottage I know of on the Devonshire coast for a fortnight. She'll go at your invitation. Here's the address. I'm making it all right with Mother Goodge. Get her off to-morrow."

"The idea being that the bashful chap, missing her in the car, will be worked up to avowal at fresh sight of her after the break?" said Joseph, with a smile.

"Nothing of the kind!" chuckled John delightedly. "She'll find him already installed in the cottage! He's gone off to-day!"

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Old man Brightside took up the desk telephone and gave a number in a tone that denoted he was in the best of humors with himself and the world in general.

"Is that Rogerson? It is. Well, friend, what about it?"

He broke off, with a laugh, and laughed again, to catch the merry chuckle over the wire.

"Chap's just been in, brown as a berry, sparkling-eyed and bucked up wonderfully, to tell me of the marvellous working of Providence that directed the well-desired to the identical haven of his rest out of all other havens in this fair land. He had the cheek to ask me for another few days off shortly, and laughed when he said it. Have you interviewed Minnie?"

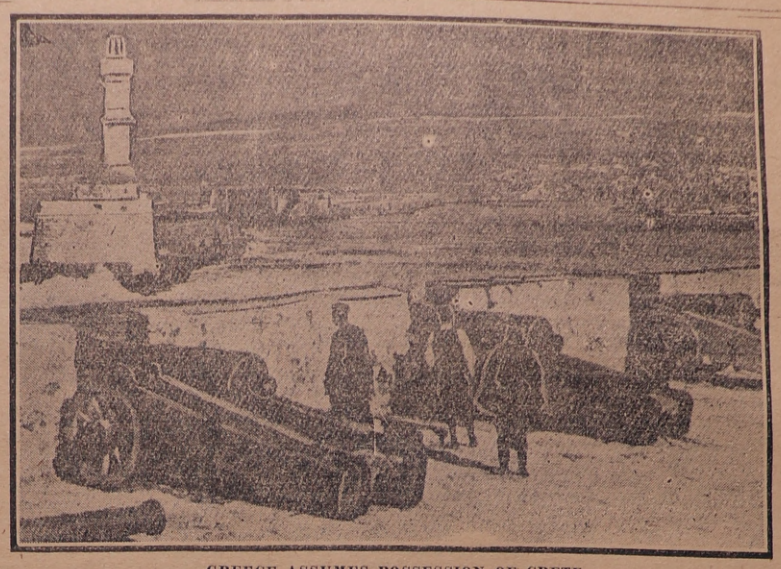
"Minnie isn't the same girl," came the laughing return. "Minnie was here just now, looking like a girl of twenty. She told me that a certain gentleman wished her to marry him as soon as might be, and if I pleased would I take notice."

"And what did you find to say to that?" laughed John.

"I said, 'Married, Minnie? Good gracious, this is a startler!'"

The talk broke off just there to give way to further mirth.

"See, friend," said John, at length, "this is really too good for two old fogies to keep. What do you say to bringing along the sweetheart to my place to-night for a bit of a dinner? My car shall pick you up at six-thirty. You'll come? Good! Rogerson, my boy, we've really done it; we have the dear ladies beaten at their own specialty! The night is ours!"—London Answers.



GREECE ASSUMES POSSESSION OF CRETE.

The Island of Crete, a few days ago, became the possession of Greece. King Constantine raised the flag at Canea, the capital.

May Be a Curse.

Wealth may be either a blessing or a curse, according to the use made of it. Riches only bring happiness to people when they are accumulated for the good of others. When they are accumulated for the gratification of avarice, or are used for obtaining personal aggrandizement, respect, adulation, or fame, they are very badly applied, and may be a curse to a man.

Johnny Hesitated.

"What is an anecdote, Johnny?" asked the teacher. "A short, funny tale," answered the little fellow. "Quite right," said the teacher. "And now, Johnny, you may write on the blackboard a sentence containing the word." Johnny hesitated a moment, and then wrote, "A rabbit has four legs and one anecdote."

Some engagements are announced by the mother and denounced by the father.

HOME

Favorite Recipes.

Black Pudding. — One-half cup molasses, one cup seeded raisins, one egg, one cup hot water, one teaspoon soda, pinch of salt, one cup flour. Steam one hour and serve with yellow sauce made of two eggs, one cup sugar, one teaspoon vanilla. Beat eggs light, add gradually the sugar and beat again, then add vanilla.

Individual Pumpkin Pies.—Three cups stewed and sieved pumpkin, two eggs, one and one-half cups brown sugar, one and one-half pints sweet milk, one level tablespoon flour, two teaspoons cinnamon, one teaspoon allspice. Line gem pans with rich pie crust, fill with above mixture and bake in moderate oven. Serve with whipped cream.

Orange Cake.—Two cups of granulated sugar, one-half cup water, two teaspoons baking powder, the yolks of four eggs and whites of three, the juice and grated rind of one orange. Bake in two layers. Filling for cake: Beat the white of one egg stiff. Add the juice and grated rind of half an orange and stir in enough sugar to make thick as jelly. Spread upon top and between layers.

Raisin Cake.—One cup of sugar, one-half of butter, two cups of flour, three eggs. Use one whole egg and the yolks of two in the cake, saving the two whites for icing. One cup of raisins (cut) and one heaping teaspoon of soda in a cup of boiling water. Pour over raisins, cool, cream, butter, and sugar. Add beaten eggs, then flour and water with raisins. One teaspoon cinnamon or nutmeg for flavoring.

Veal and Chicken Salad.—Take the white parts of roasted chicken and roasted veal cut in one-half inch pieces; take two cups of veal and one cup of chicken, one cup of celery cut in the same size pieces, teaspoon salt, one-half teaspoon white pepper, one-half teaspoon onion. Salt ten stuffed chopped olives, one teaspoon olive oil; mix well in mixing bowl with one cup of mayonnaise salad dressing on platter covered with lettuce leaves and garnish with hard boiled eggs cut in slices.

Health Bread.—Two cups of table bran, one cup flour, one cup milk, two tablespoons dark molasses, one tablespoon lard or salad oil, one heaping teaspoon baking powder, one level teaspoon soda, and same of salt. Put the soda into the milk, which may be either sweet or sour; all of the other ingredients may be put into a bowl and well mixed, after which add the milk in which the soda was dissolved. Thoroughly blend all together with a spoon, then put into a well greased bread pan. Let stand twenty minutes then put into quite a hot oven for the first five minutes, then gradually turn off the heat and let bake in a moderate oven for one hour.

Golden Muffins.—This recipe is for a family of five and will make two dozen muffins, one dozen light biscuit, and three large loaves of bread. In a four quart jar pour two quarts of warm water, add thereto one large tablespoon each of butter and lard, one tablespoonful of salt and two tablespoonfuls of sugar; mix thoroughly until butter and lard are dissolved, then add about eight large teacupfuls of sifted flour, or enough to make a stiff batter, and stir vigorously for one minute; then add three well beaten eggs to this and stir again. Lastly, one cake of yeast, which has first been dissolved in two tablespoonfuls of lukewarm water. Stir but little after eggs and yeast are in. Cover jar with a plate and place in a warm corner, free from drafts over night. In the morning grease a large pan and put in two dozen well greased muffin pans, drop a large tablespoonful of this batter in each ring. Do not stir the batter in the morning. After muffins are on the way, add six cups of flour to the batter and mix and knead it for fifteen minutes, then place dough in warm sheltered place to rise; when light enough, which probably will be in about two hours, make into light biscuit and three loaves of bread, and let rise again.

Angel Food Cake.—Put into a good sized mixing bowl the whites of ten large eggs and a generous pinch of salt. Take one and one-quarter cups of granulated sugar and sift five times, one cup of pastry flour sifted five times. The oven and bakepan should be ready and one level teaspoon of cream of tartar laid ready. Beat whites of eggs about one-half, sift in cream of tartar, then beat again until it will make dog's ears when you draw the beater up through it. Sift in sugar and on top of sugar put in the extract, so the alcohol will not come in direct contact with the whites of eggs. Boil the sugar in until batter is smooth and glossy, then carefully sift in the flour and fold in, remembering every stroke of the beater after the flour is in toughens it. It is best to have the eggs and dish cold. Putting the cream of tartar in the eggs makes it fine grained and tender. Never grease the tin. The oven must be moderate enough so the cake will raise before it begins to bake, then increase the heat and let it bake. If the cake bakes too quickly it will crack open in the middle. Bake forty or forty-five minutes, and when done take from oven and invert the pan until the cake is perfectly cold. If not sufficiently done the cake will sweat and fall, but if set on the bottom of the tin the weight of cake would make it settle.

Hints for the Home.

White paint can be kept in good condition if whiting is mixed to a stiff paste with warm water and used instead of soap. Rinse off with clear water and dry with a duster or leather.

Boot lace tags sometimes come off quite good laces. In this case they may be replaced with impromptu tags of sealing wax. Cut the tag, smear it over with sealing wax, then press it to a point while the wax is still warm.

If a lump of soda dissolved in a little hot water is added to the blue water on wash day it will prevent the blue from settling in the clothes and make them perfectly white. This is especially useful when the water is very hard.

Very frequently when separating the whites from the yolks of eggs the yolk becomes broken and falls into the white. Dip a cloth in warm water, wring it dry, and touch the yolk with a corner of it, and the yolk will adhere to the cloth and may easily be removed.

When boiling potatoes try putting a cloth over them before putting on the lid. They will take much less cooking and be much more mealy.

A good disinfectant for a sink is to put two tablespoonfuls of soda and a teaspoonful of ammonia in one gallon of boiling water. Pour this down the sink.

A new broom will last longer if the strands are tied together and put into a pail of boiling water and soaked for two hours. Dry thoroughly for two hours.

Marks that have been made on paint with matches may be removed by first rubbing the mark with lemon and washing it afterward with soap and water.

To prevent glassware from being easily broken, put in a kettle of cold water; heat gradually until the water has reached the boiling point. When cool take out glass.

To extract the juice from an onion, cut a slice from the root end of the onion, draw back the skin, press the onion on a coarse grater working with a rotary motion.

Borax is one of the best assistants to cleanliness. It should play a large part in every household. If sprinkled about the kitchen it will eliminate roaches and ants.

To remove hot water marks from tables. Make a thin paste of salad oil and salt, cover the marks with this, and leave for one hour, then rub off with a soft duster.

To prevent inferior potatoes from appearing watery when cooked, scrub, then core the skin lightly lengthways and across, all the way round. Boil in salted water. They will then be dry and floury.

A GREAT NEWSPAPER.

La Presna of Buenos Ayres Is a National Institution.

South America's greatest newspaper, La Presna of Buenos Ayres, has just celebrated its forty-fourth birthday. In Buenos Ayres, La Presna's birthday is a semi-holiday, for to the 1,500,000 people of the beautiful Argentine capital La Presna is more than a newspaper. It is a municipal and national institution, a guide, counsellor and friend, a haven of refuge for those who are sick or in trouble, and a university for those who seek knowledge. "La Presna is Buenos Ayres" is a saying that meets with popular acceptance. It is unique among the world's newspapers, and the Argentine is not so far wrong when he asserts that La Presna is the world's greatest journal.

La Presna was founded on October 18, 1869, by the late Dr. Jose C. Paz, a statesman, diplomat and warrior, and is now conducted by his son. For many years the newspaper celebrated its birthday by issuing a special edition. The home of La Presna is a magnificent structure which cost over $6,000,000, a veritable palace. In addition to the newspaper plant the building contains a beautiful salon where all guests of the nation are received, and suites of rooms, handsomely furnished, for the occupancy of such guests during their stay in the city. The philanthropic work of the newspaper is carried on in the most modern fashion. There is a free clinic where poor patients may receive treatment from one of the dozen physicians employed by the paper, and, in serious cases, from the best specialists in the city, who are called in consultation. The indigent may also receive, gratis, legal advice from the best attorneys of Buenos Ayres. The paper also conducts a scientific bureau, a school of music, a museum of national products, a weather bureau, an art school and an agricultural research department. In the building are several halls for popular assemblies. La Presna also makes annual awards of hero medals and engages in a thousand other movements for the public weal. As a newspaper, La Presna is by far the most cosmopolitan in the new world. It maintains correspondence in all the capitals and no North American journal approaches it in extent of cable news.

BATHED ON HALF HOLIDAY.

Why Ancient Workmen Quit Work On Saturday Afternoons.

The Saturday half-holiday is customarily regarded as a modern innovation. Ask any old person and he will tell you he can remember when all laborers worked on the seventh day of the week just as on every other day—from the blowing of the whistle at 7 o'clock in the morning until 6 o'clock or later in the evening. The shortening of the regular working day to eight hours, with freedom on Saturday afternoon, is attributed to the work of the trades unions. While the latter body, in the last few decades, certainly has influenced public opinion and legislation in regard to a shorter working day, it did not propound a new idea, but rather revived the old laws of the fifteenth century.

In medieaval times the Saturday half-holiday seems to have been almost universal. "Every one must be pleased with his work," says a Kutenberg ordinance, "consequently no-one must be overworked." Even Ferdinand I. (1458-94), one of the most ferocious kings who ever sat on a throne of the Holy Roman Empire, accepted this maxim, and ruled that, in the Impirial mines, the miners were to work only eight hours a day. The old laws also explicitly stated that work after Saturday at noon was to be strictly prohibited, and that a pair of stocks be in every town, that employers who worked their people overtime might be thrust into them. Because there was a Saturday half-holiday, however, it must not be thought that this afternoon was given for recreation. Indeed not—it was bathing time for the greater part of the community.

Why Saturday was chosen as bathing time is not difficult to imagine. On Sunday everybody was compelled to go to church, whether he would or not. As the Moslem in the East bathed before entering the mosque, so did the medieval man before entering his church, only he must take his bath on Saturday afternoon in order to be clean the following day. There was even a distribution of bath money to the children whose parents were unable to pay for their baths.

Best Liniment of All Destroys Every Pain But Never Burns.

"How thankful we are to get hold of such a wonderful household remedy as Nerviline," writes Mrs. E. P. Lamontagne from her home near Wetaskawin, Alberta. "In this far-away section, far away from a doctor or druggist, every family needs a good supply of Nerviline. Nerviline is the best of all. It destroys every pain, but never burns. We use Nerviline in a score of ways. If it's rheumatism, aching back, pain in the side, sciatica or stiff neck,—you can laugh at them if you have lots of Nerviline handy. For earache, toothache or cramps I don't think anything could act more quickly. For a general all-round pain remedy I can think of nothing more valuable and speedy to cure than Nerviline."

The above letter is convincing—it tells how reliable and trusty this old-time remedy is. Nerviline for forty years has been a household word in Canada. Scarcely a home in Canada you can find without Nerviline. Every community has its living examples of the wonderful curative properties of Nerviline which will cure pains and aches anywhere in the joints or muscles. It's penetrating, soothing, warming and safe for young and old to use. Get the large 50c. family size bottle; it's the most economical. Small trial size 25c. at any dealer's anywhere.

Chips With the Bark On.

The bright future often dazzles a man to the advantages of the present.

There are many low tricks in high finance.

A ring on the finger is often followed by the wringing of the hands.

A man often finds he is "in bad" after a good time.

The woman who marries a title rarely gets anything else.

Noise does not make a financial concern sound.

The guilty do not escape merely because the jury fails to convict. Think of the fees paid to high-priced lawyers.

The pacemaker is seldom a peacemaker.

Getting the game without the name is often easier than getting the game after one has the name.

Convicted bankers are not numberless; on the contrary, they are distinctively numbered.

Conservation of conversation is one reform that needs encouragement.

The baby born with a silver spoon in his mouth is most naturally fitted out later with gold teeth.

The trial of a thieving financier that sends him to prison is really something of a trial.

You can elope and marry secretly, but the divorce will be more legal if obtained with full publicity.

If all gamblers lost the game could not last long.

A soft snap naturally falls to the man who waits until the time is ripe.

SELF DELUSION.

Many People Deceived by Tea and Coffee.

We like to defend our indulgencies and habits even though we may be convinced of their actual harmfulness.

A man can convince himself that whiskey is good for him on a cold morning, or beer on a hot summer day—when he wants the whiskey or beer.

It's the same with tea and coffee. Thousands of people suffer headache and nervousness year after year, but try to persuade themselves the cause is not tea or coffee—because they like it.

"While yet a child I commenced using coffee and continued it," writes a Western man, "until I was a regular coffee fiend. I drank it every morning and in consequence had a blinding headache nearly every afternoon.

Tea is just as injurious because it contains caffeine, the same drug found in coffee.

"My folks thought it was coffee that ailed me, but I liked it and would not admit it was the cause of my trouble, so I stuck to coffee and the headaches stuck to me.

"Finally, the folks stopped buying coffee and brought home some Postum. They made it right (directions on pkg.) and told me to see what difference it would make with my head, and during that first week on Postum my old affliction did not bother me once. From that day to this we have used nothing but Postum in place of coffee—headaches are a thing of the past and the whole family is in fine health."

"Postum looks good, smells good, tastes good, is good, and does good to the whole body."

Name given by Canadian Postum Co., Windsor, Ont. Read "The Road to Wellville," pkgs.

Postum now comes in two forms: Regular Postum — must be well boiled.

Instant Postum—is a soluble powder. A teaspoonful dissolves quickly in a cup of hot water and, with cream and sugar, makes a delicious beverage instantly. Grocers sell both kinds.

"There's a Reason" for Postum.

Pointed Paragraphs.

Success is the mother of imitation.

Smart men may be fools for a purpose.

Bread is the staff of life and flattery is the butter.

And lots of people do not work as much as they wait.

Many a man pats himself on the back who isn't a contortionist.

A good husband is an asset, but a worthless one is a liability.

It is never too late to blame the other fellow for your mistakes.

A woman will do a lot of cheeky things to improve her complexion.

Propose to a girl in a canoe and you'll have two chances of being thrown over.

Nearly all men are too lazy even to think for themselves. Thinking is hard work.

A woman always has faith in the judgment of any man who asks her to marry him.

Any girl can make a name for herself—if she can induce some man to face the parson with her.

The average man gets a lot of unnecessary abuse while he is alive and a lot of unnecessary praise after he is dead.

A married man's application for membership in a club may be an admission that marriage is a failure—so far as he is concerned.

If a homely girl has plenty of money it's an easy matter to meet a wise man who will try to convince her she is a prize beauty.

JUST THE MEDICINE FOR THE BABY

Baby's Own Tablets are just the medicine for little ones. They sweeten the stomach and regulate the bowels, thus breaking up colds, curing colic, expelling worms and making teething easy. Concerning them Mrs. E. J. Ayer, Westmoreland Point, N.B., writes: "I have been using Baby's Own Tablets some time and find them just the medicine baby needs." The Tablets are sold by medicine dealers or by mail at 25 cents a box from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

A Lesson Learned.

The teacher, who was giving the primary class a nature talk, inquired:

"Johnnie, how does a bee sting?"

Johnnie, a graduate from the school of experience, replied with emphasis:

"Awful."

Use LIQUID SULPHUR in your bath.

Doctor—Has you husband followed my directions? Did he take the medicine I left for him religiously? Patient's wife—I'm afraid not, doctor. He swore every time I gave him a dose.

Minard's Liniment Cures Colds, Etc.

SAYINGS OF FRENCH WRITERS

Misery is everywhere, and so is happiness.—Boufflers.

He who has no character is not a man; he is a thing.—Chamfort.

The first rule for speaking well is to think well.—Mme. de Lambert.

Speech has been given to man to disguise his thoughts.—Talleyrand.

If love gives wit to fools, it undoubtedly takes it from wits.—A. Karr.

In jealousy there is usually more self-love than love.—La Rochefoucauld.

One should believe in marriage as in the immortality of the soul.—Balzac.

Woman has a smile for every joy, and a tear for every sorrow.—Sainte-Foix.

A fool may have his coat embroidered, but it will always be a fool's coat.—Rivarol.

Friendship that begins between a man and a woman will soon change its name.—Anon.

Time sooner or later vanquishes love; friendship alone subdues time.—Mme. d'Arconville.

In order to do great things, we should live as though we were never to die.—Vauvenargues.

We all have in our hearts a secret place where we keep, free from the contact of the world, our sweetest remembrances. — De Finod.

A woman should never accept a lover without the consent of her heart, nor a husband without the consent of her judgment.—Ninon de Lenclos.

Society is composed of two great classes; those who have more dinners than appetite ,and those who have more appetite than dinners.—Chamfort.

A beautiful woman with the qualities of a noble man is the most perfect thing in nature; we find in her all the merits of both sexes.—La Bruyere.

A weapon is anything that can serve to wound; and sentiments are, perhaps, the most cruel weapons man can employ to wound his fellow-man.—Balzac.

A homely man of merit is never repulsive; as soon as he is named his physique is forgotten; the mind passes through it to see the soul.—Romainville.

How a Sick Woman Can Regain Health

Read This Very Carefully

"For years I was thin and delicate. I lost color and was easily tired; a yellow pallor, pimples and blotches on my face were not only mortifying to my feelings, but because I thought my skin would never look nice again I grew despondent. Then my appetite failed. I grew very weak. Various remedies, pills, tonics and tablets I tried without permanent benefit. A visit to my sister put into my hands a box of Dr. Hamilton's Pills. She placed reliance upon them and now that they have made me a well woman I would not be without them whatever they might cost. I found Dr. Hamilton's Pills by their mild yet searching action very suitable to the delicate character of a woman's nature. They never once griped me, yet they established regularity. My appetite grew keen—my blood red and pure—heavy rings under my eyes disappeared and to-day my skin is as clear and unwrinkled as when I was a girl. Dr. Hamilton's Pills did it all."

The above straightforward letter from Mrs. J. Y. Todd, wife of a well-known miller in Rogersville, is proof sufficient that Dr. Hamilton's Pills are a wonderful woman's medicine. Use no other pill but Dr. Hamilton's, 25c. per box. All dealers or The Catarrhozone Co., Kingston, Ontario.

Circumstantial Evidence.

Here is a Chinese anecdote, from the "Hsioa-Lin-Kuang-Chi," or "Laughing Book," that would keep its humor, no matter into what language it were translated. It loses none of its point, certainly, when turned into English.

A man who had been convicted of theft was put into the town stocks. A passer-by, observing his sad state, stopped and spoke to the man.

"What did you do?" asked the passer-by.

"Oh, nothing. I just found an old piece of rope on the road, and picked it up."

"And is it possible that they have punished you in this way for simply picking up an old piece of rope?"

"Yes—only it seems there was a cow at the end of the rope."

SUFFERED 20 YEARS

With Kidney Trouble, Cured by Gin Pills.

Mr. Daniel F. Fraser of Bridgeville, N.S., says about GIN PILLS: "For twenty years I have been troubled with Kidney and Bladder Disease, and have been treated by many doctors, but found little relief. I had given up all hope of getting cured when I tried GIN PILLS. Now, I can say with a happy heart, that I am cured after using only four boxes of GIN PILLS." 50c. a Box, 6 for $2.50. Sample free if you write National Drug & Chemical Co. of Canada, Limited, Toronto.

A Trouble Maker.

"I see they are thinking of putting meters on the telephone."

"It will only cause trouble."

"How so?"

"My wife will insist every month that she never said that much."

Try Murine Eye Remedy

If you have Red, Weak, Watery Eyes or Granulated Eyelids. Doesn't Smart —Soothes Eye Pain. Druggists Sell Murine Eye Remedy, Liquid, 25c, 50c. Murine Eye Salve in Aseptic Tubes, 25c, 50c. Eye Books Free by Mail. An Eye Tonic Good for All Eyes that Need Care Murine Eye Remedy Co., Chicago

Not With Stereopticon Views.

The Policeman—Where are you going at this time of night?

The Wanderer—I'm—hic—going to a lecture.

Minard's Liniment Cures Distemper.

Proof.

"Keep clear of Machin; he must be in a very bad way. He actually asked me yesterday to pay him back the half dollar I borrowed off him two years ago."

Use LIQUID SULPHUR in your bath.

Teacher of Hygiene—"Why must we always be careful to keep our home clean and neat?" Little Girl—"Because company may walk in at any moment."

Minard's Liniment Cures Garget in Cows.

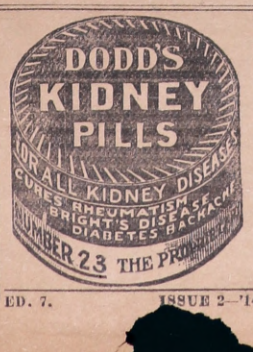
Getting Back.

Lawyer—Do you know what "conscientious scruples" means?

Witness—Yes, indeed!

Lawyer—Well, what does the phrase mean?

Witness—Well, my parents wanted me to be a lawyer, but I had scruples.



BABY ALL COVERED WITH ECZEMA

Could Not Sleep Day or Night. Itched and Burned Terribly. Cuticura Soap and Ointment Cured in a Month. Also Cured Mother of Salt Rheum.

Quarryville, N. B.—"For a month after my baby was born he could not sleep day or night with eczema. He was all covered with small watery pimples which would break in a day or two and leave a humoury scab and would itch and burn terribly. He scratched so much that he made sores. His skin burned all the time and when the scab came off it left little marks like chicken-pox. At last I saw Cuticura Soap and Ointment advertised. After the first application he rested easier. I applied the Cuticura Ointment lightly and after an hour I would wash him with Cuticura Soap. After a month's treatment he was cured.

"I was greatly troubled with salt rheum on my hands. They broke out in little watery pimples and would be so itchy I could tear them to pieces. Then they would dry up and crack and bleed and when I put them in water the disease would eat in to the bones. They were so painful I had to keep them tied up with cotton rags. I could not do any work. One box of Cuticura Ointment with the Cuticura Soap cured them." (Signed) Mrs. Grattan, July 31, 1913.

Cuticura Soap and Cuticura Ointment are sold by druggists and dealers everywhere. For a liberal free sample of each, with 32-p. book, send post-card to Potter Drug & Chem. Corp., Dept. D, Boston, U. S. A.

The Heart of a Piano is the Action. Insist on the "OTTO HIGEL" Piano Action

A Model Child.

George III. was such a thrifty king that we cannot doubt that he hugged the little chap of whom Thackeray tells this delightful story and longed to knight him on the spot.

One day when the king and queen were walking together, probably at Kew, they met a little boy,—they were always fond of children, the good folks—and patted the little tow head.

"Whose little boy are you?" asked the king.

"I am the king's beef-eater's little boy," replied the child.

On which the king said, "Then kneel down and kiss the queen's hand."

But the innocent offspring of the beef-eater declined this treat.

"No," said he, "I won't kneel, for if I do, I shall spoil my new breeches."

A More Popular Lay.

The nightingale our ears would win,
The lark sings in the glen;
But there's more music these days in
The cackle of the hen.

CORNS? HAVE YOU ANY?

If so, you want to try Putnam's Corn Extractor; it is not a cheap acid salve, but a genuine 25c. cure that does remove corns in twenty-four hours. Be sure and get "Putnam's Extractor," 25c. at all dealers.

Any Old Hero.

Betty—I shall not wed until I can marry a hero. Alice—Well, my dear, just show any man who proposes to you a schedule of your yearly expenses, and if he doesn't back out he's one.

LIQUID SULPHUR cures cold sores.

Helpful Neighbors.

"My neighbors keep me all the time in hot water."

"How generous of them, when coal is so high."

Minard's Liniment Cures Diphtheria.

Yeast—"What made you say my wife has a prominent mouth if you never saw her?" Crimsonbeak—"Oh, I heard it."

LIQUID SULPHUR cures cold sores.

Chatting About Him.

Angeline and Caroline were chatting about a young man whom they both knew. "I can't make anything of young Dalton—he's so stupid," said Angeline. "I don't think so," said Caroline. "He has a lot in him when you know him." "Has he?" replied Angeline. "Well, then, I'm sure it's a vacant lot!"

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HAIR RESTORER
Restores GRAY Hair to its NATURAL Color, makes it grow, and cures Dandruff.
AT ALL DRUGGISTS
50 CENTS A BOTTLE

BEATEN AT HIS OWN GAME.

African Bushman's Experience with a Lion.

The little Bushman of South Africa is not only small in size, but to the European he appears feeble in mind. Yet there is the story of an encounter between a Bushman and a lion which shows a man cool in danger and fertile in resource.

The Bushman, who was a long way from home, met a lion. The animal, sure that he had his victim completely in his power, began to sport with him with a feline playfulness that the little Bushman failed to appreciate. The lion would appear at a point in the road, and leap back again into the jungle, to reappear a little farther on.

The Bushman did not lose his presence of mind, and presently hit upon a way to outwit his foe. Aware that the beast was ahead of him, the Bushman dodged into the jungle to the right, and quietly awaited the next move. When the lion discovered that the man had suddenly disappeared from the path, he was perplexed. He roared. Then he espied the Bushman peering at him over the grass.

The Bushman at once changed his position, while the lion stood irresolute in the path, following with his eye the moving black man. The little man rustled the reed, vanished, and appeared at another point.

The great brute was first confused, and then alarmed. It began to dawn on him that he was the hunted party. The Bushman did not let the lion collect his startled wits. He began to steal gradually toward the foe, who now, in a complete state of doubt and fear, turned tail, and ran ignominiously from the field.

Why Sniffle and Sneeze with Catarrhal Cold?

By Breathing the Healing Vapor of Catarrhozone You Get Relief in Ten Minutes.

That Catarrhozone is a swift, certain means of destroying colds and catarrh is proved by the following statement of Mr. Pulos, one of Brockville's best known merchants:

"In the fall of 1903," writes Mr. Pulos, under date of June 10th, 1910, "I contracted a very severe cold which developed into Catarrh. At that time I was living in New York State and treated with four different physicians, who afforded me no relief. On coming to Brockville I was advised by a friend to try Catarrhozone. I bought the dollar outfit, and was gratified by the results. I was completely cured by Catarrhozone, and have used it since to check a cold with unfailing results. It is the grandest medicine in existence, and I hope my testimony will be of some use to other fellow-sufferers."

(Signed) George Pulos.

Get Catarrhozone to-day. Large size costs $1.00, and lasts two months. Smaller sizes 25c. and 50c. All dealers, or The Catarrhozone Company, Buffalo, N.Y., and Kingston, Ont.

The Glare Explained.

Miss Jaggers (angling for a compliment): They say plain girls are always religious. Now, I'm not at all religious.

Mr. Fortnit (gallantly): Yes, but there are exceptions to all rules, you know.

Minard's Liniment Co., Limited.

Gentlemen,—I have used MINARD'S LINIMENT from time to time for the past twenty years. It was recommended to me by a prominent physician of Montreal, who called it the "great Nova Scotia Liniment." It does the doctor's work; it is particularly good in cases of Rheumatism and Sprains.

Yours truly,
G. G. DUSTAN,
Chartered Accountant.

Halifax, N.S., Sept. 21, 1905.

WEIGHT OF A CROWD.

Person Getting Up Exerts Double Weight of One Sitting.

The frequent reports of the collapse of temporary platforms and grandstands show that these are not always constructed with a sufficient margin of safety. They are calculated to support the dead weight of as dense a crowd as could stand or sit on them, but it is often overlooked that a crowd in motion, especially simultaneous motion, may exert a much greater strain, both vertically and horizontally. When a man who is seated rises to his feet he exerts, since action and reaction are equal, a pressure upon the floor equal to the weight raised—that is the greater part of his body. This may easily be shown on an ordinary platform scale. If a person seated on the platform weighing, say, 160 pounds, gets up suddenly the indicator on the dial will record for the moment of motion a weight nearly 290 pounds. According to the experiments of C. J. Tilden, reported to the American Society of Civil Engineers, the average increase of weight on the platform when one stands up is nearly 80 per cent.

That is not all, for in rising from a seat a person exerts a backward pressure of about 50 per cent. of his weight. If he moves rapidly forward and then stops suddenly the backward force exerted upon the platform may be 150 pounds or more. Now, it is common at a baseball game or races to see almost the whole crowd rise as one man and a simultaneous step backward or forward is very apt to occur. Such movements put a sudden strain upon the structure that it may not be calculated to bear.

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RAILWAY TIME TABLE

Trains call at Stirling station as follows:

GOING WEST		GOING EAST	
Mail & Ex.	6.02 a.m.	Passenger	10.12 a.m.
Passenger	8 45 p.m.	Mail & Ex.	3 31 p.m.

Local & General

Local Option was defeated at Marmora Village by the three-fifths clause but was gained in the Township.

The balance of reports of the Xmas High School Exams came to hand, but too late for insertion this week and will have attention in next week's issue.

Messrs J. S. Morton, J. T. Belshaw and John Shaw were elected by acclamation on the School Board the other nominees Dr. Bissonnette T. H. Matthews and T. H. McKee retiring.

Stirling, January,7th, 1913.

The merchants of Stirling do hereby agree to close their places of business every night of the week (Saturdays excepted) at 6 p. m. During the months of January and February.

The Jubilee Singers who appear in the Opera House on Monday next are under the auspices of the Methodist Ladies Union. Reserved seats plan at Morton's. Admission 15 and 50 cents Reserved seats 35.

A number of Campbellford sports arrived here by Wednesday morning's train and lined up against the local boys in a Pigeon shooting match, the principal event was won by the local team 36 to 27. The full score will appear next week.

The Village elections passed off very quietly on Monday, all was carried on in a good friendly spirit with apparently no hard feelings, and resulted in almost an entire new council L. Meiklejohn being the only old member returned. W. H. Cooke led the poll with Meiklejohn 2nd, T. H. Matthews 3rd, D. Utman 4th. Messrs C. F. Linn J. B. Belshaw and T. A. Eggleton old members, and J. L. Ashley are left overs, and are receiving condolences from their friends.

The Public Library Board has secured the Ontario Ladies Quartette to give a concert in the Opera House on Tuesday January the Twenty seventh.

The Quartette consists of Miss P. O'Neil Humorous Entertainer, Miss Florence Mac Neill, Soprano, Miss Kathleen Wallis, Violinist, Miss Dorothy Atkey, accompanist.

This no doubt will be the treat of the season, Do not forget the date, January the Twenty-seventh.

BEGIN THE YEAR WELL

The pleasure of every member of the family during 1914 can be considerably increased by reading each week that greatest of all weekly papers. The Family Herald and Weekly Star of Montreal. It has pages for everyone, old and young. It is really surprising what wonderful value one gets each week in that paper. One dollar is a small sum indeed for such a vast amount of good clean wholesome reading during the year. No mistake can be made in sending one dollar to The Family Herald Office, Montreal, for a year's subscription. It will be the best New Year's Gift to the family.

County Black Chapter Meeting

The annual meeting of the County Black Chapter of Hastings County, will be held in the Orange Hall, Madoc, on Tuesday the 20th day of January 1914, at 10 o'clock A. M.

All Sir. Knights are requested to attend.

E. JACKMAN.
County Reg.

ALEX MARTIN
County Preceptor.

For Sale

By Auction, Farm Stock and Implements on Tuesday Jan. 13th at 1 P. M. at Lot 12 Con. 8. Harold. The usual terms allowed.

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Blunders of Authors.

The late Guy Boothby, in his novel "Bride of the Sea," makes a curious blunder. The period of the story is the year 1670, and the scene is laid in Devonshire. The novelist makes one of his characters grow quite lyrical about the splendid race of men which the famous western country has produced.

He speaks very fittingly of Drake and Hawkins and Raleigh and all the other Devonshire worthies, but he comes a dreadful cropper when he makes his hero talk of Sir John Franklin, who did not appear on the globe until more than a century had elapsed, and even then it was in the fens of Lincolnshire.

Rider Haggard has a good deal of trouble with the moon. In one case he causes that satellite to be full at a time when it could not possibly have been more than a crescent, and in "King Solomon's Mines" he introduces an eclipse of the same luminary, very convenient for his plot and for the impression of awe which his heroes wish to produce upon the natives but quite unknown to any astronomical textbook.—Stray Stories.

Steel Pens.

The great objection to the steel pen when it first came into general use was its stiffness. There was not that "give" and spring in the metal pen which characterized the old fashioned goose quill pen.

This was remedied, however, by the side splits which we see in pens today, and for many years the method of slitting the pens by means of a press was kept secret by those famous penmakers, Gillott and Mason.

Briefly, the method of manufacture of a steel pen today may be described as follows: The blanks are pierced and the slits cut, after which the pen requires to be softened by annealing. Then they are raised and hardened, scoured with acid, colored, varnished and dried, girls afterward looking over the pens, throwing aside the faulty ones and packing the good ones into boxes ready for sale.

Tiny German States.

While it is well known that some of the German states are of lilliputian size, few persons are aware that it is quite possible to visit seven of them, including two kingdoms, two duchies and three principalities, in an easy walk of four and a half hours.

A good walker, starting from Steinbach, in Bavaria, will arrive in half an hour at Lichtentanne, which is situated in Saxe-Meiningen. Thence the road proceeds in one and one-half hours to Rauschengesees (Reuss, Elder Branch), after which in a few minutes Gleima, in Schwarzburg-Rudolstadt, is reached.

Half an hour's walk brings the pedestrian to Altengesees (Reuss, Younger Branch). An hour farther on lies Drognitz, on Prussian soil, and the last stage is another hour's stroll, finishing up at Saalthal, Saxe-Altenburg.—Harper's Weekly.

Good Train Service.

Talk of trains and one is reminded of the perfect line. Read of this service and applaud: "The trains come in to the minute and go out to the minute. The officials are intelligent and polite. The carriages are good. Every station has its waiting room, where you may sit and read and drink a cup of coffee that is not only hot and fresh, but is recognizably the product of the berry. It is impossible to travel in the wrong train. It is very difficult not to get out at the right station. The fares are very reasonable. The time-tables are models of clarity." No, the reference is to no railway in the south of England. It is Mr. E. V. Lucas' summary of the good points of the train service of the happy Hollanderl—London Spectator.

Parisian Street Barbers.

The French capital, like that of China, has its street barbers. In Paris the perambulating tonsorialists carry a little box containing the usual outfit of their calling. Their chief patrons are laboring men. The street barber of Paris usually places his customer upon the banks of the Seine or in some spot aside from the crowd, covers his knees with a newspaper and proceeds to work. For only 1 sou he will shave a man, cut his hair and generally impart to him a more or less smart appearance. These barbers are said to make quite a respectable sum even at the small fee they charge.

Complimentary.

"The idea of dozing while I was singing!"

"You were singing a lullaby, weren't you?"

"Yes."

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"This lady is worth $400,000. Would you like to see her photograph?"

"Worth $400,000 and compelled to advertise for a husband? No, you needn't show me her phiz. I can imagine what it must be."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Naturally Dark.

History Professor—Why are the middle ages known as the dark ages? Wise Freshman—Because there were so many knights.—Wisconsin Sphinx.

Beards Were Barred.

The ancient Romans considered it effeminate to wear beards. All their busts representing the famous men of olden times are without beards.

A cynic knows the price of everything and the value of nothing.

Removal Notice!

After Saturday the 10th Inst. our Branch Candy Shop will be closed for removal to Trenton.

We wish to thank our many customers for their loyal support while doing business in Stirling. And also wish to announce that Mr. Sutcliffe will take over the agency for our homemade candy and continue its sale in his store next the Montreal Bank.

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LONGS

To Our Subscribers OUTSIDE the COUNTY

A large number of these subscriptions Fall Due Jany. 1st, 1914.

To all of these Subscribers we send greetingz, wishing them a very Merry Xmas and a Prosperous, Happy New Year, and Solicit a continuance of their Favors by a prompt Renewal, or arrangement for continuance. Otherwise, paper will be stopped on expiry.

Harold

A very pleasant evening was spent at the home of Mrs. Eliza Armstrong, Harold, on Monday Dec. 29th when a few met to spend the evening with her.

After the singing of "Be present at our table Lord," all partook of a dainty luncheon provided by the ladies. The remainder of the evening was spent in music, singing and social chat.

Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Broadworth, Sine, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Thompson, Menie, Mrs. Nancy McConnell, Mr. and Mrs. Conger McConnell, Mt. Pleasant, and Mr. Hillyard of Detroit Mich.

We hope we will be spared to go again.

Hoard's

Helen Haig, Campbellford, spent her holidays with Miss Annie Haig.

Karl Grills, English Line, spent Sunday evening at the home of A. H. Parr.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Sharpe, were guests of Mr. George Merrick on Tuesday evening last.

Oscar Sharpe, Big River, Sask., paid a flying visit to relatives here.

Miss Della Caldwell Stirling, and Charles Ackerman Belleville, were guests of Mrs. J. Scott for the week end.

Rod. Doxee spent New Years with his parents Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Doxsee

John Russell has been visiting his daughter Mrs. James Parks.

Edgar Dempsey of London, Ont. spent several days last week the guest of Wallace Hoard.

Paris Hoard "The Ridge" Chandos, has been visiting relatives and friends in this vicinity.

Mr. and Mrs. Herb. David and Jean and Mr. and Mrs. Wrightmeyer who have been visiting Mr. Frank Williams have returned to their homes at North Port.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Wilson have returned from their honeymoon.

Claude Hoard is again visiting friends here.

Jennie Parker, English Line, spent Sunday at Hector Whitton's.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bailey entertained on New Years Day Mr. and Mrs. James Bailey of Tupper Lake N. J. and Mr. and Mrs. Truman Bailey of Stirling.

On New Year's Day here, a crowd of about one hundred and fifty witnessed a good game of hockey between Hoards and Menie. Our boys got there this time—the score being 2—1 in their favor.

Spring Brook

Revival Services commenced here last Tuesday night.

The IOOF intend holding ther annual concert on the 20 Inst.

The Farmer's Club distributed a carload of coal oil and several carloads of feed and flour and are now considering forming an egg circle.

Mark Shortt, Mrs Jennie Boyle and her daughter Annie are all down with pneumonia. All are progressing favorably.

Mr. and Mrs T. C Mc Connell spent a week with their daughter Mrs Laird at Canfield.

P. S. The guy who wrote "Absence makes the heart grow fonder" must have lived in an age when there was no money in the world. In these latter days it takes Cash to make the heart grow fonder and a lot of it.

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Personal And Social.

Rev F. A. Robinson of Toronto spent New Years day at the home of Mrs. Judd.

Miss Ethel Anderson is visiting her grandmother Mrs. Judd.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Thompson of Menie (Town line) entertained Mrs. Nancy Mc Connell Mr. and Mrs. Manson McConnell Mr. and Mrs. Conger McConnell and family of Mt. Pleasant and Mr. Hillyard McConnell of Detroit Mich. on Christmas day.

Judge Alcorn, of Osgoode Hall, Toronto spent last week with his son, H. L. Alcorn manager of the Bank of Montreal at Perth. News, Perth N. B.

Wm. Kerr spent a couple of days in the village this week, enroute returning to College after spending his holidays at his home.

MARRIED

Murray—Green

Elmshade Farm, Rawdon, the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Green was the scene of a quiet wedding on Dec. 25th 1913, when their daughter Hilda Grace and Morley J. Murray were united in marriage by the Rev. J. A. Connell.

The bride who was gowned in shadow lace over silk net looked charming and entered the drawing room with her father while Mrs. Lewis Green Jr. played the Bridal Chorus.

The many and beautiful presents were evidence of the high esteem in which the young couple are held. The grooms gift to the bride was a handsome set of persian lamb furs and a cheque.

Shortly before her marriage the members of the Ladies Aid of Bethel, of which she was secretary, presented her with an address, centre table silver and china.

Mrs. Murray will be greatly missed in this neighborhood. We all join with the News Argus in wishing the couple Bon-voyage on the sea of life.

Eggleton—Cassidy

As intimated last week the marriage of Miss Mary daughter of Walton Eggleton took place on Wednesday night, friends and relatives to the number of about 160 filled the spacious homestead to do honor to the popular bride and her partner.

After the ceremony a bountiful repast was done justice to by those present, and shortly after one o'clock the bridal party left to catch the 2a.m. train for Toronto and other places. Followed by the best wishes of all for their future happiness and prosperity.

On their return they will reside at Cooper where the groom is a prosperous young farmer.

We had made arrangements for a good full report of the event for this issue but were disappointed, it will likely come to hand next issue.

Mt. Pleasant

Mr. and Mrs. Conger McConnell entertained on New Years day in their home Apple Blossom Farm.

Mr. and Mrs. Philip McConnell and Miss Lillie of Spring Brook, Mrs. Eliza Armstrong and Master Ernest Broadworth of Harold, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Broadworth Sine, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Thompson Menie, Mr. Hillyard Mc Connell of Detroit Mich. and Mrs. Nancy McConnell Mt. Pleasant. After partaking of a bountiful dinner the remainder of the afternoon was spent in songs, recitations instrumental music and an address by Mr. Hillyard McConnell, which was much appreciated by all. All left for their homes feeling they had spent a Happy New Years Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Manson entertained the same party on Friday evening Jan 2nd at which Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Wallace of Glen Ross were also present. Mr. H. McConnell gave a very interesting talk on Detroit his adopted home, for which place he left the next morning.

Madoc Junction

Mr. Model of Albert College occupied the pulpit here last Sabbath and gave an excellent address on missionary work.

Mrs. Dr. Gardiner of Belleville was the guest of Mrs. Bennett last week.

Mrs. George Clarke visited her daughter in Peterboro last week.

Miss Mildred Clarke visited friends in Eldorado during the holidays.

Mrs. Frank Juby returned home last week from Rochester on account of the illness of her husband who met with a painful accident. But we hope will soon be around.

Mrs. Warden had a family gathering on New Years Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Mason Clarke spent the holidays with friends in Stirling.

Miss Minnie Barker is visiting friends in Toronto for a couple of weeks.

We are sorry to hear that Mrs. F. Cooke is still on the sick list.

Miss Ethel Hough spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Pollard.

P. S. We pay no attention to remarks passed on the news sent in, we consider the Editor is the best judge.

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Obituary

Elliott;—A very sad and unexpected death took place at Kingston Hospital on Tuesday morning when Milton C. Elliot died from the effects of an operation for appendicitis.

The young man was well and most favorably known here having spent most of his life in the village, he was only 21 years 10 months and 6 days old and was the son of Mrs. M. S. Elliott, and beside the sorrowing mother leaves a sister Mrs. Pearce now of Campbellford, to mourn their irreparable loss. The young man had been attending College at Kingston and was a room-mate with Edgar Matthews, he had spent his holidays with his mother and sister and had arranged to spend a few days here with Edgar, but was suddenly taken ill, and hurried off under his mother's care to the Kingston Hospital, where an operation was performed from which he was unable to rally and gradually sunk under the strain.

The remains were brought here on Tuesday evening's train and the funeral took place from the home of his uncle Thos. Montgomery Reeve of Rawdon, Thursday afternoon to the Methodist church here and interment made in the cemetery.

IN MEMORIAM

In loving memory of Chas. Bailey who departed this life on January 6th 1913, (Gone but not forgotten)

I miss thee dearest husband
From thy familiar place
I do not hear thy footsteps
Nor see thy cheerful face.

We miss thee dearest father
We feel thy absence here
And Oh! what sorrows pierce the heart
To see thy vacant chair?

Again we hope to meet thee,
When life's short journey's o'er,
Oh yes we hope to meet thee then,
On heaven's eternal shore.

To the Editor of the News-Argus.

In your issue of last week I noticed a slight mistake in the notice of Miss Lizzie Hawkin's wedding. She has only one Grandmother living, that is myself who nursed and took care of her when she was an infant, but was not invited to see her married.

Mrs. Archie Montgomery

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THE CANADIAN GRAIN CROP

Total Value of All Crops In the Dominion For the Year 1913, $600,000,000

A despatch from Ottawa says: Field crops in Canada totalled in value nearly six hundred million bushels according to the estimates of the Census Department. Final reports are now coming in from five thousand correspondents throughout Canada, and it will be a few weeks before the official figures are tabulated. They all indicate, however, that the crop in the year just closed has been a record one, both as regards acreage, production and values.

For spring wheat the rough figures are 188,468,000 bushels, as compared with 182,840,000 bushels last year.

For fall wheat, the estimate is 19,107,000 bushels, as against 16,396,000 bushels last year, and 18,481,000 bushels in the preliminary estimate this year. The total estimated wheat production for 1913 is therefore 207,575,000 bushels, as compared with 199,236,000 bushels last year, an increase of 8,399,000 bushels, or 4¼ per cent. The yield per acre for all wheat is 21.15 bushels, as compared with 20.42 bushels in 1912.

Oats show a total yield of 391,418,000 bushels, an average yield of 40.57 bushels, as compared with 361,732,000 bushels and an average yield of 39.25 bushels.

Barley gives an estimated total yield of 44,348,000 bushels, and an average of 31.00 bushels per acre, as compared with 44,014,000 bushels, and an average yield of 31.10 bushels in 1912.

For 1913, the total production of rye is 2,559,000 bushels, of peas 3,974,000 bushels, of buckwheat 7,600,000 bushels, corn for husking 14,086,000 bushels, of beans 989,500 bushels, as compared with a total yield in 1912 for rye of 2,594,000 bushels, for peas of 3,773,500 bushels for buckwheat of 10,193,000 bushels, for flax of 2,681,500 bushels, for mixed grains of 17,952,000 bushels, for corn for husking of 16,569,000 bushels, for beans of 1,040,800 bushels.

For the three North-West provinces, the total yield of spring wheat is placed at 183,852,000 bushels, of fall wheat at 5,264,000 bushels, of oats at 239,595,000 bushels, of barley at 27,904,000 bushels, of rye at 586,000 bushels, of flax at 14,808,000 bushels.

THE NEWS IN A PARAGRAPH

HAPPENINGS FROM ALL OVER THE GLOBE IN A NUTSHELL.

Canada, the Empire and the World in General Before Your Eyes.

Canada.

A Japanese steamship company is contemplating a direct line to Montreal.

An exodus from Canada to Europe at the present time promises to relieve the labor situation.

A new scale of pay is announced for militia officers during active service, also during temporary service.

Fire in Montreal occasioned a loss in residences destroyed amounting to a hundred thousand dollars.

Preparations are being made for the inauguration of the parcels post as soon as authorized by Parliament.

London Street Railway is now using Hydro power, being the Commission's largest customer in the city.

Manitoba telephones yielded the Province a surplus of $30,264.64 during the twelve months ending with November.

Luceise Leween, a Mohawk Indian, was found by a Deseronto jury to have died through neglect, from drink and exposure.

A silver fox valued at $3,000, consigned to Toronto, escaped from the express car at Winnipeg just before the train started.

Wm. C. Browne of the King's Own Scottish Borderers is walking from Winnipeg to Halifax, having recently completed in Winnipeg a four-thousand-mile tramp.

Miss Elsie Fleischer, aged twenty, sentenced in the Fort William Police Court to six months in the Mercer Reformatory, said she had masqueraded as a man to avoid starvation.

The Fort William and Port Arthur Street Railway has been taken over by each city separately and will be managed by the Councils, with Manager Robinson as operating manager for both.

Great Britain.

Viscount Bryce at a conference in London vigorously defended religious training in the schools.

Rt. Hon. James Bryce, former British Ambassador at Washington, has been created a Viscount by the King.

United States.

J. P. Morgan & Co. and George F. Baker caused a sensation in Wall Street when they withdrew from a number of corporations.

General.

Da Vinci's great masterpiece, "Mona Lisa," has been returned to Paris.

The Mexican Federals in the north are on the eve of fleeing into American territory.

After three desperate attempts the Mexican rebels failed to dislodge the Federals of Ojinaga.

An Anglo-German agreement concerning Portuguese Africa is reported to have been concluded.

Jules Vedrines, the French aviator, announced his plans for a trip around the world.

WILL EXPAND THE WORK.

Restoration of the Live Stock Industry in Canada.

A despatch from Ottawa says: The Department of Agriculture is preparing to greatly expand the work already in progress for the restoration of the live stock industry in Canada. Mr. John Bright, Dominion Live Stock Commissioner, has called in his two chief assistants from the West, Dr. Tolmie, of British Columbia, and Dr. Creamer, who has charge of the work in the Prairie Provinces, to map out the programme for the coming year. The department has spent $200,000 on this work, largely in Western Canada. It is expected that the amount will be doubled for 1914 with a view to generally benefitting the live stock industry all over Canada.

STRANGE PUBLICATION.

Threatens Regina with "Rioting, Shooting and Burning."

A despatch from Regina, Sask., says: A strange communication signed "The Chief of the Unemployed Gang," was published here on Friday. It threatens direful things for Regina, nothing less than the immediate and total destruction of the city by fire and dynamite if the "white unemployed" are not found immediate work. The matter was not very seriously regarded, but impelled the police to issue a warning to citizens to report any untoward happenings as quickly as possible. The letter states "that the unemployed gang" will take the city by "rioting, shooting and burning property," if some help is not immediately vouchsafed them.

LAST SPIKE DRIVEN.

Canadian Northern Railway Connected Up With the West.

A desptach from Port Arthur says: Sir William Mackenzie, president of the Canadian Northern Railway, and party arrived late on Thursday night after driving the last spike in the C.N.R. at Little White Otter River early in the morning. Although arriving late the party were banqueted by the city council and the board of trade in the Prince Arthur Hotel, prominent citizens of the city attending. At the banquet Mayor John A. Oliver presided.

DISCOVERY OF A GERM.

Cause of Scarlet Fever Told by Dr. Newell S. Ferry.

A despatch from Montreal says: Details of his discovery of a germ which is believed to be the cause of scarlet fever were told to the Society of American Bacteriologists by Dr. Newell S. Ferry of Detroit at the closing session of the society's convention at McGill University on Friday.

Dr. Morse's Indian Root Pills

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UNION BANK HAS FINE YEAR.

Quick Assets Over Thirty-four Per Cent. of Liabilities.

The Forty-Ninth Annual Report of the Union Bank of Canada, approved by the Shareholders at their annual meeting held in Winnipeg on December 17th, is the best in the history of the Bank. The net profits for the year after making the usual deductions for expenses of management and making full provisions for bad and doubtful debts amounted to $750,095 or $44,000 more than was earned in 1912. Other evidences of progress are shown by a further examination of the Bank's statement. The note circulation throughout the year increased from $4,700,000 to $6,200,000. Deposits gained from $55,600,000 to $64,500,000. The rest account was increased by $100,000, making it $3,400,000. Current loans increased from $45,000,000 to $46,700,000, while total assets show the large gain of $11,300,000, now standing at $60,766,532.

A striking feature of the Bank statement is found in a further examination of the assets. The Bank possesses an unusually large amount of gold, Dominion notes and other quickly available assets—these amounting to $27,655,000 as compared with $22,790,000 for the previous year. This policy of maintaining a large proportion of the assets in a form easily converted into cash is a characteristic of this Bank, and the present holdings of nearly twenty-seven and three-quarter millions bear a high proportion to the Bank's total liability to the public. The fact that deposits increased during the year also calls for comment, as during the past year there were unusual demands for funds and depositors were more inclined to withdraw funds then to increase their holdings. The fact that deposits increased is an indication of the increased confidence on the part of the public in the management of the Bank. The Bank on its side has been doing its full share in catering to the business needs of the communities in which its branches are located. During the past year the current loans show an increase of $1,780,000 while loans and discounts outside of Canada amount to $1,640,000 or more than double that shown for the previous year. The Bank has now on deposit in the central gold reserve $1,300,000 while its total assets have attained the very large sum of $80,766,000, an increase of over $11,000,000 during the year. The address of Mr. John Galt, President of the Bank, was an able summary of the conditions prevailing in Canada during the year. In the course of his address he touched on the trend of trade during the year, the crops, the increased importance of mixed farming and briefly reviewed the various great basic industries in the several Provinces. General Manager Balfour, in his address, pointed out that the Bank has now a total of 313 branches. He also took occasion to remark on the excellent manner in which the railway companies had handled the western grain crop. The old Board of Directors was re-elected, and at a subsequent meeting of the Board, Mr. Wm. Price was elected Honorary President, Mr. John Galt, President, and Messrs. R. T. Riley, and G. H. Thomson, Vice-Presidents.

Sir James Whitney's continued illness is delaying the calling of the Legislature.

Alexander MacDonald, an elderly man, was killed at London by a street car speeding past corners to make up time.

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PRICES OF FARM PRODUCTS

REPORTS FROM THE LEADING TRADE CENTRES OF AMERICA.

Prices of Cattle, Grain, Cheese and Other Produce at Home and Abroad.

Breadstuffs.

Toronto, Jan. 6.—Flour—Ontario wheat flour, 90 per cent., $3.50 to $3.55, seaboard, and at $3.50, Toronto. Manitobas—First patents, in jute bags, $5.30; do., seconds, $4.80; strong bakers', in jute bags, $4.60.

Manitoba wheat—No. 1 Northern, 93 1-2c, Bay ports, and No. 2 at 91 3-4c, Bay ports.

Ontario wheat—No. 2 wheat at 84 to 85c, outside.

Oats—No. 2 Ontario oats, 34 1-2 to 35c, outside, and at 38 to 38 1-2c, on track, Toronto. Western Canada old oats, 40 1-2c for No. 2, and at 39c for No. 3, Bay ports.

Peas—$1 to $1.05, outside.

Barley—Good malting barley, 55 to 56c, outside.

Corn—New No. 3 American, 72 1-2 to 73c, all rail, Toronto.

Rye—No. 2 at 65 to 66c, outside.

Buckwheat—About 70c, outside.

Bran—$21 to $21.50 a ton, in bags, Toronto freight. Shorts, $22.50, Toronto.

Country Produce.

Butter—Choice dairy, 23 to 24c; inferior, 20 to 21c; farmers' separator prints, 24 to 26c; creamery prints, 30 to 31c; solids, 28 to 29c; storage prints, 27 to 28c; do., solids, 26 to 26 1-2c.

Eggs—Case lots of new laid, 43 to 45c per dozen; selects, 37 to 38c, and storage, 32 to 35c per dozen.

Cheese—New cheese, 14 1-2 to 14 3-4c for large, and 15c for twins.

Beans—Hand-picked, $2.20 to $2.25 per bushel; primes, $2 to $2.10.

Honey—Extracted, in tins, 11 to 12c per lb. for No. 1; combs, $3 to $3.25 per dozen for No. 1, and $2.40 to $2.50 for No. 2.

Poultry—Fowl, 11 to 12c per lb.; chickens, 16 to 17c; ducks, 13 to 15c; geese, 12 to 15c; turkeys, 19 to 23c.

Potatoes—Ontarios, 75 to 80c per bag, on track, and Delawares at 80c, on track, in car lots.

Baled Hay and Straw.

Baled hay—No. 1, $14.50 to $15 a ton, on track here; No. 2 quoted at $13 to $13.50, and mixed at $12 to $12.50.

Baled straw—Car lots, $8.50 to $8.75, on track, Toronto.

Provisions.

Bacon—Long clear, 15 1-2c per lb., in case lots. Pork—Short cut, $28.50; do., mess, $24.50. Hams—Medium to light, 18 1-2 to 19 1-2c; heavy, 18 to 19c; rolls, 15 to 15 1-2c; breakfast bacon, 18 to 19c; backs, 22 to 24c.

Lard—Tierces, 13 3-4 to 14c; tubs, 14 to 14 1-4c; pails, 14 1-4 to 14 1-2c.

Winnipeg Grain.

Winnipeg, Jan. 6.—Cash—Wheat—No. 1 Northern, 85c; No. 2 do., 80 1-4c; No. 3 do., 77 1-4c; No. 4, 73 1-4c; No. 1 rejected, 76 1-2c; No. 2 rejected seeds, 74 1-2c; No. 1 smutty, 76 1-2c; No. 2 smutty, 74 1-2c; No. 1 red Winter, 85c; No. 2 red Winter, 80 1-2c; No. 3 red Winter, 77 3-8c. Oats—No. 2 C.W., 35 3-8c; No. 3 C.W., 31 1-2c; extra No. 1 feed, 32c; No. 1 feed, 31c; No. 2 feed, 29 3-4c. Barley—No. 3, 41 1-5c; No. 4, 39 1-2c; rejected, 37 1-2c; feed, 37c. Flax—No. 1 N.W.C., $1.22 1-4; No. 2 C.W., $1.20; N. 3 C.W., $1.05.

Montreal Markets.

Montreal, Jan. 6.—Corn, American No. 2 yellow, 70 to 72c. Oats, Canadian Western, No. 2, 41 1-2 to 42c; do., 3, 40 1-2 to 41c; extra No. 1 feed, 41 to 41 1-2c. Barley, Manfeed, 48 to 50c; malting, 64 to 65c. Buckwheat, No. 2, 66 to 67c. Flour, Man. Spring wheat patents, first, $5.40; seconds, $4.90; strong bakers', $4.70; Winter patents, choice, $4.75 to $5; straight rollers, $4.50 to $4.60; do., bags, $2 to $2.10. Rolled oats, barrels, $4.40 to $4.50; do., 90 lb. bags, $2.10 to $2.12 1-2. Bran, $20 to $21. Shorts, $22 to $23. Middlings, $25 to $26. Mouillie, $27 to $31. Hay, No. 2, per ton car lots, $13.50 to $15. Cheese, finest westerns, 13 3-4 to 14c; finest easterns, 13 1-4 to 13 1-2c. Butter, choicest creamery, 28 1-2 to 29c; seconds, 28 to 28 1-4c. Eggs, fresh, 35 to 36c; selected, 33c; No. 1 stock, 34c; No. 2 stock, 26c. Potatoes, per bag, car lots, 75 to 85c.

United States Markets.

Minneapolis, Jan. 6.—Wheat—December, 82 3-4c; May, 86 5-8 to 86 3-4c; No. 1 hard, 85 3-4 to 87 1-4c; No. 1 Northern, 84 1-4 to 86 1-4c; No. 2, do., 81 3-4 to 84 1-4c; No. 3 wheat, 79 3-4 to 82 1-4c. Corn—No. 3 yellow, 60 to 60 1-2c. Oats—No. 3 white, 35 1-2 to 35 3-4c. Flour and bran—Unchanged.

Duluth, Jan. 6.—Wheat—No. 1 hard 85 1-4c; No. 1 Northern, 85 1-4c; No. 2, do., 83 1-2 to 83 3-4c; Montana No 2 hard, 85c; December, 85 7-8c; May, 87 1-4 to 87 3-8c; July, 88 3-4c. Linseed—$1.47 1-8; December, $1.46; May, $1.50 1-4; January, $1.46.

Live Stock Markets.

Toronto, Jan. 6.—Cattle—Choice butchers, $7.75 to $8; good medium, $6.50 to $7.25; common cows, $3.50 to $4; butcher bulls, $3.75 to $7.25; canners and cutters $3.50 to $4. Calves—Good veal, $8.75 to $11; common, $4.75 to $5.10. Stockers and feeders—Steers, 910 to 1,050 pounds, $6 to $6.75 good quality, 800 pounds, $4.50 to $5.25 light, $3.50 to $5.50. Sheep and lambs—Light ewes, $5.50 to $6; heavy, $3 to $3.50 bucks, $3 to $3.50; spring lambs, $8.50 to $9; but with 75c per head deducted for all the buck lambs. Hogs—$8.90 to $9.25 fed and watered, $9.40 off cars, and $8.50 to $8.75 f.o.b.

NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS.

No more important resolution can be made than the determination to systematically save a proportion of one's earnings. And not only save it, but keep it saved. For that reason it should be placed in some safe place where it can only be withdrawn by making a distinct, conscious effort. No better nor safer place for such a purpose can be found than with the Union Trust Company, Limited, Toronto, who pay interest at 4% per annum, compounded quarterly, and allow withdrawal by cheque. They now have a large number of satisfied customers, and we suggest that you write for their free descriptive booklet.

HARRY FRAGSON KILLED.

His 84-Year-Old Father Shoots Him Dead.

A despatch from Paris says: Harry Fragson, the celebrated Anglo-French vaudeville singer who won fame by his adaptations of popular songs from English into French and vice versa, was killed here on Tuesday by his father, Victor Pott. Pott, who is a tottering invalid of 83 years, accused his son of neglecting him and bestowing his attention and money on women, especially an English tango. They had sharp words about the matter.

BOOT AND SHOE INDUSTRY.

4,000 Operatives Out of Work in Quebec.

A despatch from Quebec says: Fifteen out of nineteen factories engaged in the boot and shoe industry of Quebec closed their doors on Wednesday evening on account of labor difficulties. The shut-down has thrown over 4,000 operators out of employment, who are likely to walk the streets in idleness all winter unless they agree to the open shop system and conform to the new rules that govern the factories.

The Yarrow shipbuilding firm of the Clyde, Scotland, has bought out the British Columbia Marine Company and will establish a branch yard at Esquimalt.

GOOD CONDITIONS IN 1914

'No Boom," Says Sir Thomas Shaughnessy, "But Sane, Steady Business, Which Is Better."

A despatch from Montreal says: Big financial magnates of Montreal, when interviewed concerning the outlook for 1914, were optimistic, and predicted a revival of prosperous conditions.

James Carruthers, president of the Richelieu and Ontario Navigation Company, and a prominent grain exporter, was cheerful. "I think there will be a radical change in conditions early in the new year," he said. "At present the transportation earnings do not show a decrease that might be expected, the general financial situation considered. In 1913 the harvest was an exceptionally heavy one, and I see no reason why that of 1914 should not be proportionate. The unemployed will be taken care of through the winter, and with spring labor conditions are likely to improve. Money will be easier also."

Sir Thomas Shaughnessy was of the opinion that the coming year would see a general improvement. He pointed out that railway earnings have not decreased to any considerable extent when all contributory factors are considered. "I am looking for a general upward trend in the financial world once we are passed the turn of the year," he said. "Money is already loosening up to an appreciable extent, and will continue to do so. After a pronounced depression such as we are passing through a 'boom' cannot be expected. It would be better not a steady movement is preferable."

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2 Persian Lamb Coats with sable collars. beautifully lined with Black Satin, 27 inches long, sizes 34 x 36, your choice for $29.00.

1 only Ladies Persian Paw Coat, 34 inches long, size 36 regular $ 45. to clear at $26.50.

1 Ladies Fur lined Coat, shell of fine Black cloth sable collar, tailor made size 36 x 52 regular $65. for 50.

1 Ladies Fur lined Coat, shell of fine Brown cloth sable collar, size 38 x 50 regular 45 for $34. 50.

14 Ladies white all wool Sweaters, ranging in price from 1.75 to $3., odd ones slightly soiled clearing the lot at $1.00.

25 Ladies Sweaters in Cardinal, Blue, Tan and Red, odd ones as high as $3.25 they all go at $1.25.

22 Ladies Suits, regular $16.50 to $20.00 your choice while they last for $12.00 per suit. These suits are all handsomely tailor made coats beautifully satin lined. Sad to see them going at these prices, but we must have the room for Spring Stock.

45 Ladies Fur Stoles, Throws, Collars in Mink Marmot, Grey Squirrel, opposum, Grey Lamb, Persian Pow and Sable. Some are broken sets, clearing the lot at 25 per cent discount.

4 only Dinner Sets, Austrain China nice designs, unfortunately some of the pieces in these sets got broken, the knife goes in deep here and we are going to clear them up for $5.98 regularly sold for $15.00, only a cup or two short in some sets.

As Space will not permit, might say that Bargains will be found through every department.

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The Grand Piano Contest!

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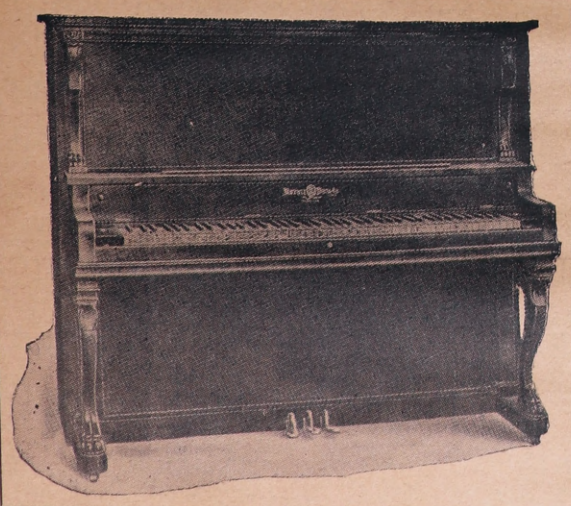

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Asst. Supt.	R. A. Kemp
Sec. Treas.	M. B. Sine
Asst. Sec.	H. C. Sine
Organist	Miss Ada Hagerman
S. S. Steward	Cecil Sine
H. B. C.	Delbert Mumby
	Wilfred Sine

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Class No. 1.	Mr. Jacob Sine
" No. 2.	Mrs. P. W. Hagerman
" No. 3.	Thos. W. Solmes
" No. 4.	W. J. Johnson
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High School Examinations

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A Dark Shadow;

Or, A Coming Vengeance

CHAPTER XXVI.—(Continued).

"Lady Edith will marry me," he said. Quilton said nothing, but stood, his face absolutely impassive and expressionless. "I feel is now certain."

"And yet you love Mina?" remarked Quilton in a matter-of-fact tone.

Clive eyed him steadily. "And yet I love Mina," he said grimly. "Quilton, I have seen her, spoken to her again. It was a mistake. She—God help us both!—she cares for me still. And I had resolved to tell Lady Edith the truth, to give her her freedom, to obtain mine, and marry Mina—if she would have me. But now, now that Lady Edith is in trouble, has this dark cloud hanging over her life, I—I must stand by her."

Quilton nodded. "Noblesse oblige," he commented. "Exactly. Well, that's your affair. So you see that Lady Edith will have a title of her own—oh, you will end in the House of Lords, of course!"

"Lord Chesterleigh suspects nothing?" said Clive after a pause. He spoke in the dull voice of a man who has lost all interest in life, who has slipped back into the row of spectators.

"Nothing. He does not know that I was Juanita's, his wife's, lover, before he married her. I was at Quetta with him, but did not make myself known. I did not meet him until after his second marriage, and I should not have attempted to stop it, if I had known him; for I, too, believed Juanita to be dead; until I saw her that night at Palace Yard. I stood close beside you, but in the excitement you did not see me—"

There came a knock at the door, and Quilton slipped out. He came back in a moment or two, his face pale, his eyelids almost covering his eyes.

"She is dead," he said.

CHAPTER XXVII.

One night, some months later, Clive was coming out of the House; and as he passed through the usual crowd, who made a lane for him, he was gazed at with eager curiosity and interest, and those of the spectators who were familiar with the House and its members nudged those who were not so fortunate, and whispered, "That's Mr. Clive Harvey, the Right Hon. Clive Harvey, President of the Local Government Board!" They watched him as he went down the steps and along the corridor, some of them no doubt enviously, but possibly a few with another kind of feeling; for they could not fail to see that the successful politician did not look, notwithstanding his success, as happy as we still think a man ought to look when he has gained his heart's desire.

They could not fail to see that he was thin and pale and careworn; his well-knit frame was held erect, and the keen grey eyes looked straight before them; but there was no glow of satisfaction in them, no indication that he was revelling in the triumph of gratified ambition. He was not only a look of overwork—for it is possible to be overworked and yet to be happy—but that of a man who has some secret outside his public life, something preying on his mind.

The Liberals were in with a big majority; and it was they who now lounged with an air of complacency in their seats, and talked and laughed with the manner of men who have been victors in the fight, and are enjoying the spoils; and Clive's friends and colleagues thought and expected that he would have been enjoying his share of the good things; for he had been made President of the Local Government Board, and his appointment had been received with general approval. It was said quite openly that, if luck stood by him, he would one day be Premier. But if he displayed no satisfaction or gratification in the honor which had been bestowed upon him, he certainly proved the wisdom of Mr. Graham's choice; and Clive quickly earned the reputation of being "a glutton for work."

Indeed, he seemed to share his time between his Office, the House, and Grosvenor Square, where Lord Chesterleigh and Lady Edith frankly and openly displayed the delight and pride in his appointment which appeared to be lacking in Clive himself. And yet they, too, seemed to be uneasily aware that there was something wrong. Lord Chesterleigh ascribed it to overwork; and Lady Edith tried to share this diagnosis of her lover's condition; but she was possessed by a vague and indefinable sense of "something wrong," which not even Clive's devoted attention to her could dispel. And, indeed, he was the most devoted of fiances.

He had always been what is called attentive to her; but since the election his manner had been marked by a chivalrous devotion which had a note of tenderness, an air of protection, which though it should have gratified her, only accentuated her vague and nameless apprehension. Eye and lip service, however watchful, however unremitting, is a poor substitute for love. It is strange and awful the amount of ill-treatment a woman will bear from a man uncomplainingly while she is sure of his love for her. Women of the lower orders will cheerfully endure even blows if they are sure that the heart of the brute who ill-treats them still beats for them; and there is little difference at core between Arriet, the costermonger's girl, and your Lady Edith Chesterleigh.

If Clive had been at times impatient, brusque, and, yes, even brutal, Lady Edith would have borne the treatment with more than equanimity, if she could have felt certain that a passionate love for her lay behind it; but he was never impatient, never brusque, always courteous and eager to forestall her slightest desire, to gratify every whim. The pride which was her chief characteristic had been lulled, hypnotized by her love for him; but it was only lulled, only sleeping, and it might be awakened any moment, and cast forth flames and ashes like any aroused volcano.

Clive was thinking of her as he passed out of the House that night; in fact, he was always thinking of her. He lived in the endeavor to thrust Mina out of his mental sight, out of his memory, and to implant Lady Edith there. The House had settled down to legislation. Hitherto his marriage had been an impossibility; but now that he had well started his work at the Office, it might be possible for him to marry and get away for a short honeymoon.

In his condition of mind, a decisive step, like that of his marriage to Lady Edith, was most welcome; it would settle things for ever; it would place an insurmountable barrier between him and the past, which meant, of course, between him and Mina.

He found Lady Edith in her boudoir. She had just returned from a reception, and Sara was removing her mistress's light opera cloak. The woman salaamed as Clive entered, and moved to the door with downcast eyes, but at the door she paused an inappreciable moment, and shot a glance of doubt, suspicion, and something like malice at Clive, a glance which he did not notice.

"How tired you look, dearest!" said Lady Edith, as he took a seat beside her, and raised her hand to his lips. "It's quite wicked the way you're working. Father says that you must go away for a rest and change."

"I intend doing so," said Clive. "I came to you to-night to speak about it—I'm afraid I'm very late; but I had to speak to-night; there was an attack on me by some of the Socialist party; and I had to answer it. Not that it did much good; for they are implacable." He smiled. "They appear to bear me a personal grudge. But never mind that. I have decided to go away—if you will go with me?"

His face crimsoned, and she caught her breath.

"Yes, dearest," he went on. "I want you to mary me at once. There is no reason why we should wait any longer, we must be married quickly. I'm afraid we shan't be able to afford a long honeymoon; there is so much to do at the Office; and they want me in the House."

Her bosom heaved and her eyes glowed. She drew a little nearer to him, and leant her head on his breast.

"I will do whatever you wish, Clive," she said. "Yes, I will marry you whenever you like. But—but are you sure that you want to marry me so soon? You are so busy, so absorbed. Oh, I know it is inevitable. But sometimes I feel as if—as if I only occupied a subordinate position in your life; as if you loved your work first and me afterwards."

He put his arm round her and essayed to caress and smile her doubts to rest; but to-night her vague apprehensions found a voice, forced her into speech.

"Clive, sometimes I am conscious of a terrible, horrible feeling that I do not possess the whole of your heart; that—that you do not love me as I love you. Ah, but that would be impossible; but I fear sometimes—it creeps over me like a chill, like the touch of death itself—that if, by some evil chance, we were separated, that if all were over between us, you would not care, would not suffer."

"My dear Edith," he began, with a chill like that of which she had spoken creeping over him; but she broke in again before he could continue:

"If there are any grounds for my fear, if for any reason I am right in this dread of mine, I want you to tell me. I could bear it from your lips. It would kill me, but I should not complain. What I could not endure would be to discover it in other ways. That would not kill me, but would drive me mad." She drew herself from him and stood erect, her face white, her eyes flashing: she was at that moment the personification of the pride that is all-devouring& implacable.

Clive took her hands and drew her down beside him again.

"My marriage with you is the one aim and desire of my life, Edith," he said gravely. "Put all such thoughts away from you. Believe me when I say that my whole life shall be devoted to making you happy."

"You can make me happy with a word, a look," she said; "and you know it. Oh, Clive, if you knew how I loved you—but you never will know! Yes; I will marry you whenever you like—you know that."

Lord Chesterleigh knocked at the door while they were talking and arranging the marriage; and he entered into the discussion with a joy and a pleasure too obvious for concealment. Lady Edith decided that she could get her trousseau together in three weeks; and an approximate date for the marriage was chosen towards the end of that period; and Clive went home with that sense of relief which follows on a momentous decision.

Notwithstanding his exalted political position and his increased income, he still occupied his old rooms in Burleigh Street, still very often dined off a mutton chop and still smoked his old briar. Now and again he met Quilton on the stairs, or Quilton came to his rooms; but the conversation of the two men was almost entirely confined to political and similar subjects. Mina and the unhappy woman, her mother, were never mentioned. Quilton's manner to Clive was as imperturbable and indifferent as it had been in the early stages of their acquaintance; or, if there was any change, it was indicated by a certain tone of pity and sympathy; anyway, Quilton had not treated Clive lately with the touch of sardonic irony which he displayed on one or two occasions some months before.

That night Clive paused at his own door, and then went up to Quilton's room. He was conscious of a desire to tell him of the approaching marriage. He knocked at the door, and Quilton opened it cautiously; a very little way; but, seeing that it was Clive, at once opened it widely and beckoned him to enter.

Quilton cleared a chair by the simple operation of tilting the books and papers upon it to the floor, and Clive sat down and leant his head on his hands. He was the Right Hon. Clive Harvey, a possible Premier; but at that moment he felt that he would willingly change places with the solitary worker who lived in that cheerless room. Quilton pushed his tobacco pouch across the table, and, seating himself on the arm of his writing-chair, filled his own pipe.

"Anything the matter?" he inquired in a casual way.

Clive roused himself from his reverie. "The matter? Oh, no. I am going to be married in about three weeks; and I thought I should like to tell you. Will you come to the ceremony, Quilton?"

"Much honored by the invitation," said Quilton; "but marriages are not in my way. All the same, I wish you luck. Where are you going to spend your honeymoon? Try Switzerland. You look to me off color, as if you wanted toning up; and there is nothing like a dose of Alpine air. Things going all right in the House?"

"Oh, yes," said Clive listlessly.

"I see that some of your Socialistic friends are making themselves a nuisance," said Quilton; "and those who are out of the House appear to be as bitter as those inside it."

"Oh, do they?" said Clive.

"Yes," said Quilton, staring at his pipe. "There's a man named Koshki who seems to have his knife in you. Know him? But, of course you do. Gentleman opens with a Polish-Germanic-Whitechapel alien accent, and adds to his other charming qualities an inherent dislike of soap and water."

Clive laughed mirthlessly. "Oh, I know him."

"Just so. And, of course, you know you're being shadowed?" said Quilton, as casually as before.

"Oh, am I?"

"Yes; very closely and very neatly shadowed. I happened to spot this as I saw you coming out of the House the other night. And a lady is taking part in the game."

"A lady?" said Clive, with some display of interest and curiosity. "What lady?"

"A lady of Oriental type," replied Quilton. "Lady Edith's Hindoo servant, Sara."

"Oh, you must be mistaken," said Clive with a smile.

"Not very easy to mistake a lady with so conspicuous a presence," said Quilton. "She appears to have struck up an acquaintance or friendship with our friend Koshki. To tell you the truth, while they have been shadowing you I have been amusing myself by shadowing them. Yes; that's just it—amusing myself."

"But, good heavens, why should Lady Edith's servant shadow me?" exclaimed Clive.

Quilton shrugged his shoulders. "Can't say. I should have thought you might have known. You don't seem to be nervous about it?"

Clive laughed and leant back with something like amusement on his lined and haggard face.

"Scarcely. Why should I be?"

There was a silence for a minute of two, and Clive relapsed into reverie again; then he rose to go; but he hesitated and said in almost a harsh and dry voice:

"Have you heard—have you any news?"

"Yes," said Quilton at once. "She has been ill. Breakdown, the doctors call it; they have ordered her to give up singing and take a rest, a long rest. A case of the sword wearing out the scabbard, I should say."

Clive's face grew still paler, and the eyes he raised to Quilton were heavy with pain and trouble and despair.

"Not—not seriously?" he asked almost inaudibly.

"Oh, no," replied Quilton. "A rest will put matters right."

"Where—where is she?" asked Clive thickly.

Quilton stared before him. "In about three weeks, you think?" he said, as if he had not heard the question. "Let me know when the date is quite fixed, so that I can give a gorgeous account of the affair in the Beacon. What wretched weather we have been having lately, eh?"

Clive knew that it was no use his seeking any further questions. With a sigh he moved to the door. As he opened it Quilton said:

"By the way, I should keep my eye upon that fellow Koshki, to say nothing of Sara. Koshki deals in dynamite, and our friends the Hindoos are most of them familiar with the use of the knife."

Clive shrugged his shoulders, with an indifference too profound for contempt, and went down the stairs with a slow and heavy step.

CHAPTER XXVIII.

The weeks rolled on, and Clive moved through them like a man in a dream. Now, Nature keenly resents the kind of affront he was offering to her, and she retaliated with insomnia.

He could not sleep, and he dared not take narcotics; for, clever as we are nowadays, no chemist has been able to discover a narcotic that will not affect the brain; and of course, Mr. Clive Harvey, the Cabinet Minister, had to keep his clear and in working order.

Meanwhile Lady Edith was busy with her trousseau; and it engaged so much of her time that she saw very little of Clive, excepting at night, when, flushed with his Parliamentary work, he did not look as bad as he really was. And yet, at times, she caught a look on his face which awakened her vague uneasiness; but she lulled it to rest by the reflection that in a little while they would have left London, and Clive would get the rest he so sorely needed.

They were within a week of the wedding, when one night a telegram was brought into the House for Clive. He opened it listlessly; then started and stared at it like a man who has received a sudden shock.

"No bad news, I hope?" said Mr. Graham, who was sitting beside him.

Clive mechanically handed him the telegram. "My brother Adolphus is dead," he said.

He left the House at once and went round to Grosvenor Square. Both Lord Chesterleigh and Edith happened to be in; they were, of course, aghast at the news; and Lady Edith went white; for in an instant she saw that the wedding would have to be postponed.

"My poor Clive!" said Lord Chesterleigh. "It is so sudden, so unexpected—and yet he was always delicate and ailing!"

"Yes," said Clive in a low voice; "and that is why I did not attach any great importance to some of his letters, God forgive me! I must go down at once; he—he is at Rafborough, and I don't know where Bertie is." He got up and looked round him vaguely.

"Yes; you must go at once," said Lord Chesterleigh with sympathy. "Of course," he added quietly, "the wedding must be postponed."

Clive sighed. "I'm afraid it must," he said. He raised his eyes to Lady Edith, and found hers fixed on him with a curious expression. "But only for a short time. We could have a very quiet wedding as soon as possible."

She said nothing. They were alone together for only a few minutes before he started, and she was very silent. Death had dashed the cup from her lips; would it be withheld from them for ever? was the thought, the dread that smote across her mind, her heart.

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Canada, the Empire and the World in General Before Your Eyes.

Canada.

The supply of storage eggs in Toronto is almost exhausted.

A School of Mines for Northern Ontario has been established at Haileybury High School.

A sink hole at Sucker Lake, near Parham, is delaying the opening of the Canadian Pacific line there.

Mayor Deacon, of Winnipeg, wants to confiscate all revolvers in Winnipeg, and prevent the sale of such weapons.

Seven hundred performers will take part in a kermess at Quebec next month for the benefit of the tuberculosis hospital.

Montreal Board of Trade and other organizations passed a strong resolution calling for an inquiry into the causes of the interrupted water supply.

Town planning legislation in Canada will be the feature of the annual meeting of the Dominion Conservation Commission, to be held at Ottawa on the 20th.

The milk strike inaugurated six weeks ago by the Berlin City Council in an effort to force the dealers to reduce the price from eight to seven cents a quart was a failure.

The Premiers of Manitoba, Saskatchewan, and Alberta have joined in a statement to Ottawa asking for restoration to the provinces of the control of natural resources.

The disappearance of Mr. Shafron from Brantford, who was entrusted with their money transactions by many of the foreigners of that city, is occasioning much anxiety amongst them.

Wm. Murray, colored, was sentenced to five years in Kingston Penitentiary for shooting at persons in Brantford on December 24. His counsel's plea of drunkenness was not accepted as a valid excuse.

Prof. H. H. Dean of the Ontario Agricultural College, speaking to the Eastern Ontario Dairymen at Cornwall, emphasized the need of a great agricultural leader in Ontario, also the lightening of farmers' burdens of interest.

Mr. L. A. Zufelt, Superintendent of Kingston Dairy School, told the Eastern Ontario Dairymen in convention at Cornwall that Canadian butter-makers must now compete with New Zealand for their own home markets.

Charles Asaff, a Syrian peddler, was murdered and his body buried within a few hundred yards of the house in which he lodged at Sheet Harbor, N.S., on the night of December 9. One, Edward Cook, is in custody.

Mayor Oliver, of Port Arthur, who was re-elected to the position of chief magistrate for the second time, was presented with a gift of $1,500 by the Council for his services rendered during 1913.

"When cities make a strike against milk at eight cents a quart they are striking against what is one of their cheapest foods instead of one of the most expensive," said Prof. R. Harcourt, of the Ontario Agricultural College, addressing the Eastern Ontario Dairymen's Association.

Great Britain.

Rt. Hon. Joseph Chamberlain announced his intention to formally retire from British politics.

Representatives of various art societies asked the British Government to participate in the 'Frisco exposition.

The attempt to disqualify Henry O'Shea from sitting as Lord Mayor of Cork, on the allegation that he is an American citizen, failed.

United States.

The Colorado State Penitentiary at Canon City is to have a great amphitheatre.

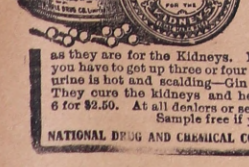
The Pacific coast from San Francisco to British Columbia was drenched and flooded by storms, which have continued for ten days, and which have extended well inland.

The annual losses suffered by merchants through commercial frauds committed in New York City aggregate $25,000,000, according to a committee representing the Merchants' Association and other leading business organizations which called upon District Attorney Whitman.

General.

The South African railway strike has so far proved a failure.

A Constantinople despatch to the London Mail says that confidential financial negotiations are in progress, whereby Turkey hopes to obtain funds for the purchase of additional warships, and there are indications of a movement against Greece, 40,000 troops being assembled at Aivall.



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THE FINANCES OF CANADA

Federal Revenue Shows Increase, Despite Falling Off In Customs In December

A despatch from Ottawa says: The national debt of Canada now stands at $303,562,104, an increase of about half a million during December, according to the financial statement issued on Friday. The funded debt payable in Canada is $803,460, and, in London, $267,541,621.

The revenue during December amounted to $12,931,466, of which seven and one-half millions was derived from customs. The expenditure was a little over nine and one-quarter millions. December's net revenue shows a decrease of a million and a quarter, compared with December, 1912. For the nine months of the present fiscal year the revenue was $127,571,762. This is an increase of three mlilions over the same period last year.

Capital expenditure on public works, including railways and canals, amounted to $3,407,611 during December. Railway subsidies were half a million. For the nine months of the present year the amount was $40,828,951, an increase of $18,000,000 over the same period last year. The $15,000,000 subsidy to the Canadian Northern accounts for most of this.

In customs revenue there was a net decrease of $391,215, the figures being $82,738,294, as against $84,747,008, but from the latter must be deducted $1,817,469 of Chinese revenue, which is this year included in "miscellaneous" revenue, so that the actual customs receipts for the nine months of 1912 were $82,929,509.

In excise revenue there was an increase of half a million in post office receipts, an increase of $775,000, and in receipts from public works, railways and canals an increase of one and three-quarter millions.

Expenditure on ordinary account for the nine months totalled $75,987,925, an increase of $8,986,350. Capital expenditure shows an increase of $18,158,848 due, as stated, to large outlay on public works and payments of railway subsidies. The total capital expenditure for the nine months was $40,828,951, as against $22,670,103.

PRICES OF FARM PRODUCTS

REPORTS FROM THE LEADING TRADE CENTRES OF AMERICA.

Prices of Cattle, Grain, Cheese and Other Produce at Home and Abroad.

Breadstuffs.

Toronto, Jan. 13.—Flour—Ontario wheat flour, 90 per cent., $3.50 to $3.55, seaboard, and at $3.50, Toronto. Manitobas—First patents, in jute bags, $5.30; do., seconds, $4.80; strong bakers', in jute bags, $4.60.

Manitoba wheat—No. 1 Northern, 94c, Bay ports, and No 2 at 92c.

Ontario wheat—No. 2 wheat, 85 to 86c, outside.

Oats—No. 2 Ontario oats, 34 1-2 to 35c, outside, and at 38 to 38 1-2c, on track, Toronto. Western Canada oats, 40 1-2 for No. 2, and at 39c for No. 3, Bay ports.

Peas—$1 to $1.05, outside.

Barley—Good malting barley, 54 to 55c, outside.

Corn—New No. 2 American, 71 1-2c, all rail, Toronto.

Rye—No. 2 at 62 to 63c, outside.

Buckwheat—No. 2 at 70 to 72c, outside.

Bran—Manitoba bran, $22 a ton, in bags, Toronto freight. Shorts, $23, Toronto.

Country Produce.

Butter—Choice dairy, 23 to 24c; inferior 20 to 21c; farmers' separator prints, 24 to 26c; creamery prints, 30 to 31c; solids, 28 to 29c; storage prints, 27 to 28c; do., solids, 26 to 26 1-2c.

Eggs—Case lots of new-laid, 43 to 45c per dozen; selects, 37 to 38c, and storage, 34 to 35c per dozen.

Cheese—New cheese, 14 1-2 to 14 3-4c for large, and 15c for twins.

Beans—Hand-picked, $2.20 to $2.25 per bushel; primes, $2 to $2.10.

Honey—Extracted, in tins, 11 to 12c per lb. for No. 1; combs, $3 to $3.25 per dozen for No. 1, and $2.40 to $2.50 for No. 2.

Poultry—Fowl, 11 to 12c per lb; chickens, 16 to 17c; ducks, 13 to 15c; geese, 12 to 15c; turkeys, 19 to 22c.

Potatoes—Ontarios, 75 to 80c per bag, on track, and Delawares at 80c, on track, in car lots.

Provisions.

Bacon—Long clear, 15 to 16c per lb., in case lots. Pork—Short cut, $28.50; do., mess, $24.50. Hams—Medium to light, 18 1-2 to 19 1-2c; heavy, 18 to 19c; rolls, 15 to 15 1-2c; breakfast bacon, 18 to 19c; backs, 23 to 24c.

Lard—Tierces, 13 3-4 to 14c; tubs, 14 to 14 1-4c; pails, 14 1-4 to 14 1-2c.

Baled Hay and Straw.

Baled hay—No. 1 at $14.50 to $15 a ton, on track here; No. 2 quoted at $13 to $13.50, and mixed at $12 to $12.50.

Baled straw—Car lots, $8.50 to $8.75, on track, Toronto.

Winnipeg Grain.

Winnipeg, Jan. 13.—Cash:—Wheat—No. 1 Northern, 84 5-8c; No. 2 Northern, 82 1-4c; No. 3 Northern, 79 1-4c; No. 4, 74c; No. 5, 68c; No. 6, 58c; No 1 rejected seeds, 77c; No. 2 rejected seeds, 75c; No. 3 rejected seeds, 73c; No. 1 smutty, 77c; No. 2 smutty, 75c; No. 3 smutty, 75c; No. 1 red Winter, 84 5-8c; No. 2 red Winter, 82 1-2c; No. 3 red Winter, 79 1-2c. Oats—No. 2 C.W., 32 1-4c; No. 3 C.W., 30 1-2c; extra No 1 feed, 31 1-4c; No. 1 feed, 30 1-2; No. 2 feed, 30c. Barley, No. 3, 41 1-2c; No. 4, 40c; rejected, 38c; feed, 37 1-2c. Flax—No. 1 N.W.C., $1.27; No. 2 C.W., $1.24; No. 3 C.W., $1.12.

Montreal Markets.

Montreal, Jan. 13.—Corn, American No. 2 yellow, 72 to 73c. Oats, Canadian Western, No. 2, 41 1-2 to 42c; Canadian Western, No. 3, 40 1-2 to 41c; extra No. 1 feed, 41 to 41 1-2c. Barley, Man. feed, 48 to 50c; malting, 64 to 66c. Buckwheat, No. 2, 56 to 57c. Flour, Man. Spring wheat patents, firsts, $5.40; seconds, $4.90; strong bakers, $4.70; Winter patents, choice, $4.75 to $5; straight rollers, $4.50 to $4.60; straight rollers, bags, $2 to $2.10. Rolled oats, barrels, $4.40 to $5.40; bags, 90 lbs., $2.10 to $2.12 1-2. Bran, $20 to $21. Shorts, $22 to $23. Middlings, $25 to $26. Mouillie, $27 to $31. Hay, No. 2, per ton, car lots, $13.50 to $14. Cheese, finest westerns, 13 7-8 to 14c; finest easterns, 13 1-4 to 13 3-4c. Butter, choicest creamery, 28 1-2 to 29c; seconds, 26 1-2 to 27c. Eggs, fresh, 48 to 50c; selected, 38c; No. 1 stock, 34c; No. 2 stock, 26c. Potatoes, per bag, car lots, 75 to 85c.

United States Markets.

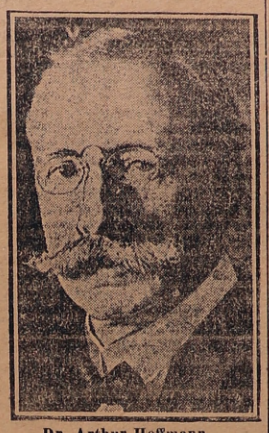
Minneapolis, Jan. 13.—Wheat—May, 87 7-8c asked; July, 89 5-8c asked. Cash: No 1 hard, 89 3-8d; No. 1 Northern, 85 5-8 to 88 3-8c; No. 2 Northern, 83 3-8 to 85 7-8c; No. 3 wheat, 81 5-8 to 83 7-8c. Corn, No. 3 yellow, 59 to 59 1-2c. Oats—No. 3 white, 35c. Flour unchanged. Bran, $20.50 to $21.

Duluth, Jan. 13.—Wheat—No. 1 hard, 87 3-4c; No. 1 Northern, 86 3-8c; No. 2 Northern, 84 3-8c; Montana, No. 2 hard, 84 3-8 to 84 7-8c; May, 89 3-4c; July, 89 3-4c. Linseed, $1.51 1-8; January, $1.50; May, $1.54 1-8.

Live Stock Markets.

Montreal, Jan. 13.—Sales of the best steers were made at 8¾, and the lower grades from that down to 8¼ per cwt. Butchers' cows from 8¼ to 8¾, and bulls from 8¼ to 8¾ per cwt. Lambs at 9¼ to 9½, and sheep at 8¼ to 8¾ per cwt. Sales of selected lots of hogs were made at 9¾ to 10 per cwt. weighed off cars. The demand for calves was fair, at prices ranging from $3 to $15 each, as to size and quality.

Toronto, Jan. 13.—Cattle—Choice butchers, $8 to $8.50; good medium, $7 to $7.50; common cows, $5.50 to $6; butchers' bulls, $5.75 to $7.25; canners and cutters, $3.50 to $4. Calves—Good veal, $8.75 to $11; common, $4.75 to $5.10. Stockers and feeders—Steers, 910 to 1,050 pounds, $6 to $6.75; good quality, 800 pounds, $4.50 to $5.25; light, $3.50 to $5.50. Sheep and lambs—Light ewes, $5.50 to $6.25; heavy, $5 to $5.50; bucks, $3 to $3.50; spring lambs, $8.50 to $9, but with 75c per head deducted for all the buck lambs. Hogs—$8.90 to $9 fed and watered, $9.15 to $9.25 off cars, and $8.55 to $8.65 f.o.b.



Dr. Arthur Hoffmann,
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TRAFFIC NOT SO LARGE.

Revenue Reduced on the Government Railway.

A despatch from Toronto says: A reduction of practically $200,000 in total net revenue is the result of the operations of the Timiskaming & Northern Ontario Railway for the fiscal year ended October 31, 1913. These figures are gleaned from the annual report of the railway which has just been received by Hon. I. B. Lucas, Provincial Treasurer. This decrease in earnings is pretty well understood to be the result of the end of the construction period on the National Transcontinental Railway, and the fact that the mining in Cobalt and Porcupine is on a normal basis. Machinery and equipment for the mines has all gone in and from this source the only revenue is derived from parts required for repairs or enlargements. As soon as the Grand Trunk Pacific is operating, the $300,000 rental will be available for running rights and such percentage of operating as the Grand Trunk is liable for on a wheelage basis. The road has been thoroughly overhauled and the equipment made ready for transcontinental trade as soon as it is ready.

MURDERS AND SUICIDES.

Two Terrible Crimes Committed In Germany.

A despatch from Berlin, Germany, says: Two crimes of violence involving the death of eleven people were committed on Friday in Soldau, Province of East Prussia, and Hamburg. At Soldau an entire family, consisting of a man and his wife with their five children, were found in their house on Friday morning with their throats cut and the gas turned on. A dog with its head almost severed was lying beside them. Pecuniary difficulties are supposed to have driven the parents to kill the children and then commit suicde. At Hamburg on Friday a city policeman cut the throats of his three daughters and then his own after a family quarrel.

Mrs. Christina Easterman, living on the Forks Road, Wainfleet, died on Friday at the age of one hundred years and nearly nine months.

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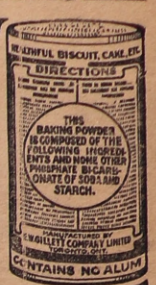

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Three Million Dollars Is the Suggestion to Be Made to the Government

A despatch from Ottawa says: One of the most important questions to which the attention of the Government and Parliament will be drawn this coming session will be that of the desirability of embarking upon a policy of technical education. What the commission proposes, briefly stated, is that three million dollars of federal money be devoted per annum to technical education. The idea is to divide two and a half millions of this between the provinces upon the basis of population, and to devote the other half million per annum to the creation of a Central Technical Institute, where experts could be developed who could be loaned to any municipality making a start in the technical training of the young.

The commission also recommends that a portion of the money be devoted to the establishment of county schools throughout the country where scientific farming and higher ideals of citizenship could be imparted to the sons and daughters of Canadian farmers.

The commission believes that action should not be delayed a year longer, and it is supported in this view by the Canadian Manufacturers' Association, many leading boards of trade, the Dominion Trades and Labor Council, and the farmers organizations throughout the country. In Parliament the proposals have many prominent supporters on both sides of the House. The present Government has taken just as sympathetic an interest in the work as did the former Administration, and if there is any differences of opinion when the matter is brought up in Parliament, it will be only in regard to detail. The other day Premier Borden gave the delegates representing the Trades and Labor Council who waited upon him the impression that the recommendations of the commission would be considered without delay.

POTATO DISEASE IN STATES.

Canada May Place An Embargo on Them.

A despatch from Ottawa says: A report that it is the intention of the Government to place an embargo upon American potatoes in retaliation for the action of the United States authorities for declining to allow Canadian potatoes to go into that country is denied in official circles. The claim is made that there is just as much potato disease in the United States as in Canada, and that the object of embargo is to keep the American market for the potato-growers of Maine. A peculiar feature of the situation, however, is that while Hon. Martin Burrell has not decided upon a policy of retaliation he has been practically advised to do so by Dr. Gussow, Dominion Botanist, who has been looking into the potato situation both in the United States and Canada.

MANY IDLE MEN.

A Million and a Quarter Out of Work In the States.

A despatch from Cleveland, Ohio, says: One million workingmen of the iron, steel and metal trades are idle in the United States to-day. The wage loss due to unemployment and short time is $50,000,000 a month. Two hundred and seventy thousand miners are also idle. The wage loss to those is computed at $12,000,000 a month.

POLICEMEN STOLE FURS.

Montreal Foreman Is Also Charged With Receiving Stolen Goods.

A despatch from Montreal says: Following the arraignment on Wednesday of Claude Vachet, who a few days ago, while a constable attached to the central police station, is alleged to have stolen a fur muff and cape, Constable Lecompte was taken into custody on a charge of having received stolen goods. Later in the day Foreman Alphi Gaynor, of the Ontario Street fire station, was taken into custody on a charge of theft. Fire Foreman Gaynor is charged with stealing a quantity of gloves and other articles during a fire in Ontario Street early Tuesday morning. He will be arraigned on Friday.

ROYAL VISIT TO IRELAND.

The King and Queen May Go to Dublin In July.

A despatch from London says: King George and Queen Mary are already considering a visit to Dublin in July of this year. It is understood that the King will conform his movements, so far as Ireland is concerned, to the advice of his Ministers, and will adopt no course that will hamper any of the political parties with which the government of the island is a matter of keen concern. The opinion in well-informed quarters is that there will be no extended sojourn in Ireland until the present period of tension has been definitely ended.

GREAT VICTORY ACIHEVED

Dr. Lazarus Barlow, the London Surgeon, Reports Astonishing Results in Cancer Fight

A despatch from London says: The London Times on Thursday published a statement concerning radium treatment of cancer at Middlesex Hospital, which, it declares, records the most important advance yet achieved in the campaign against the disease. The statement is made by Dr. Lazarus Barlow, under whose direction the treatment was carried out. The cancer department of the hospital admits only inoperable cases, that is, he said, cases which have passed beyond the aid of the surgeon. From June to September, 1912, twenty-four such cases were admitted, and in the same time there were twenty-four deaths, the mortality rate being one hundred per cent. From June to September, 1913, sixty-eight cases were admitted. In that time thirty-six deaths occurred, and thirty-two patients were in so favorable a state as to be discharged from the hospital, an unprecedented event. Most of these patients are now going about their daily work. In one or two cases a recurrence has taken place, but Dr. Lazarus Barlow hopes that with fuller knowledge of the action of radium recurrences will be prevented.

Dr. Barlow said it was possible in some cases that they at present did not give a sufficient powerful dose of the remedy. If 150 milligrams of radium were buried in a cancerous tumor it simply withered up and disappeared, but it was suggested that occasionally a few cells were left unkilled. These afterwards caused a recurrence by becoming active.

He has not so far published the details of his results because he desired to follow up the history of his cases a little farther. Time was required to substantiate the remarkable results achieved and no one should talk of an absolute cure until his results had been substantiated by time. Nevertheless there could no longer be any doubt as to the immediate effect of radium upon cancerous tumors.

ADVERTISING NOTICES

In the local column will be charged as follows:
To Regular Advertisers—Three lines and under, 25c. each insertion; over three lines, 7c. per line. Matter set in larger than the ordinary type, 10c. per line.
To Transient Advertisers—10c. per line each insertion. No insertion less than 25c.

RAILWAY TIME TABLE

Trains call at Stirling station as follows:

GOING WEST		GOING EAST	
Mail & Ex.	9.07 a.m.	Passenger	10.12 a.m.
Passenger	6.45 p.m.	Mail & Ex.	3.31 p.m.

Local & General

The first Carnival of the season will be held at the Rink on Wednesday evening next.

The local Hockey team played a return game with the Frankford team at that place in which the Frankford team came out best with a score of 3—1.

Rev. Mr Hall of Swansea near Toronto occupied the pulpit on Sunday in a very acceptable manner the Rev. gentleman is a pulpit orator of considerable ability and would be a very acceptable addition to the village and it is hoped satisfactily arrangements can be made to induce him to take charge of the church, and also that the congregation will move promptly in the matter and not delay until too late as in their last call.

On Friday evening the 7 inst. Bro. W. F. Sine D. D. G. P. of Quinte District installed the following officers in Stirling Encampment No 80 I.O.OF.

C. P.—J. M. Clarke
H. P.— D. Burkitt
S. W.— S. Murphy
R. S.— R. W. Meiklejohn
F. S.— J. W. Brown
Treas.— J. W. Sarles
J. W.— G. Sine

The Entertainment given in the Opera House on Monday evening under the auspices of the Wos. Union of the Methodist Church, by the "Colored Jubilee Singers" was of a very pleasing nature and while not a very great financial success, was a great musical treat to those who attended. The Company are well balanced and especially in the low sweet parts of the plantation tunes are more like a beautifully balanced sweet instrument than a number of voices, they are no doubt one of the very best Jubilee Companies on the road and are deserving crowded houses wherever they appear.

Stirling Hockey Club.

On Tuesday last., the 6th inst., the Stirling Hockey Club organized for the season of 1914., with the following officers,—

Honorary President	R. P. Coulter
President	G. G. Thrasher
Manager	W. J. Whitty
Asst. Manager	E. Luery
Sec. Treas.	R. N. Payne

It was decided to charge an admission fee of 50cts and to hold practises at the Arena three times a week during the winter.

Hockey Match

On Friday evening the first match of the season was played here between the local club and Frankford, resulting in a victory for the home team by a score of 4 to 2. The game was fast and clean through-out, and the best of good-feeling exists between the teams. The Stirling team lined up as follows,—

Goal	H. Conley
Point	W. Mitchell
Cover Point	R. N. Payne
Rover	F. Linn
Left Wing	E. Gould
Right do	R. Bissonnette
Centre	J. W. Bailey

W. Whitty Referee and A. T. Neal Scorer.

Frankford team as follows,—

Goal	R. Turley
Point	W. Kelly
Cover	F. Sarles
Centre	A. Munn
Right	E. Lawrence
Rover	R. Turley
Left	E. Chard

VILLAGE COUNCIL

The New Council held its first meeting on Wednesday evening, Reeve Coulter in the chair all the Councillors present, minutes read and approved. Dr. Wait as chairman of the Board of Education, was heard in reference to enforcing the Act regarding selling cigarrettes to minors, asking the Council to make some provision for the enforcement, as the teachers found that a boy when he got addicted to the habit was literally no good as a student. After some discussion the Council passed a resolution warning the dealers that any of them found selling cigarrettes or tobacco to minors under 18 yrs would be prosecuted to the utmost extent of the law, and instructing the Constable to get information as to the sale and use, and to warn the young lads.

The following bills were ordered paid,—

J.T.&J.B.Belshaw lumber for cemetery	4.55
News Argus	9.00
Election stationary	1.82
G.H.Luery Salary 25. Poll 6.	31.00
Stationary etc	13.50
Wm. Barrigan meals for tramps	.75
Geo. Richards	5.00
Wood for Mrs. Smith	28.20
Cutting same	1.05
B. R. Wright	.50
Wood for Town Hall	5.75
H. Bowen	27.13
Fire Hall	1.10
Town "	1.50
H. Abbott	11.50
Sick Children's Hospital	5.00

The Clerk was instructed to give 6 subscriptionf to the Municipal World and to purchase a new book for Registration of births, deaths and marriages

Bill of G. G. Thrasher for making deed etc for transfer of lot of land for the new Armory was ordered paid. The Collector's time was extended to next meeting. Committees as follows were appointed Streets, Matthews, Cook and Utman; Poor—Utman, Matthews; Fire Light and Property Coulter and Meiklejohn. Council went into a Committee of whole Meiklejohn in chair, on By-law for appointing Officers and their salaries, they arose and reported as follows,—Clerk G. H. Luery $75, Treas. T.G. Clute $40. and $20. Assessors C.F. Linn, John Tanner $30. each (a full and complete assessment to be made,) Collector E. T. Caverley $40, Auditor R. A. Sutcliffe $15, Electric Engineer F. A. Sprentall $70. per month Village Engineer F. A. Sprentall $170

He was also appointed Truant Inspector, Cow-by-law Inspector, Sanitary Inspector, Caretaker of Fire and Town Halls; Pound Keeper Jas. Conley; Fence Viewers W. Kyle, W. Jackman and Lyman Wheeler; Med. Health Officer, Dr, Potts $25;
Constable John Tanner $175. on motion report was received and adopted

After some general talk on village conditions Council adjourned to first Monday in Feby. at 7.30 p. m.

On Wednesday Jan. 7th an interesting shooting match took place in Stirling in which members of Campbellford and Stirling Gun Clubs took part The weather was fine and the day an ideal one for shooting and some good scores were made. The first event was a live bird match between Campbellford and Stirling, resulting in a victory for the latter.

The scores were as follows, 6 birds each man.

CAMPBELLFORD

C. Neill 5, M. West 4, E. Curvin 1, H. D. Chamberlain 4, T. Varcoe 4, J. Irvin 3, E Brewster 1, F. Bonnycastle 5. Total 27.

STIRLING

T. Wooten 6, F. Anderson 6, C, Dracup 5, A. Jackson 3, B. Nix 5, W. Smith 6, J. Morton 3, J. Bailey 2. Total 36.

Second Event—
10 Blue Rocks, in which 4 prizes were given.
C. Neill 6, M. West 5, E. Curvin 6, H. D. Chamberlain 5, T. Varcoe 6, J. Irvin 5, E. Brewster 1, F. Bonnycastle 9, T. Wooten 6, F. Anderson 3, C. Dracup 4, W. Smith 3, J. Morton 4, J. Bailey 2.

After shooting off the ties the following prizes were awarded—
1st–F. Bonnycastle, 2nd–C. Neill, 3rd–E. Curvin 4th–T. Varcoe.

Third Event—
5 Blue Rocks, three prizes given—
C. Neill 3, M. West 2, C. Curvin 2, H. Chamberlain 2, T. Varcoe 1, J. Irvin 1, E. Brewster 1, F. Bonnycastle 2, T. Wooten 3, C. Dracup 1, B. Nix 4, J. Morton 3, J. Bailey 2.

After the ties were shot off the following prizes were awarded—
1st–B. Nix, 2nd–J. Morton, 3rd–C. Neill

Fourth Event—
3 Blue Rocks, three prizes given—
C. Dracup 1, E. Curvin 1, C. Neill 2, M. West 2, T. Wooten 1, J. Bailey 1.

After the ties were shot off the following prizes were awarded
1st–M. West, 2nd–C. Neill, 3rd–E. Curvin.

After the Shoot the whole party had supper at the Kelby House where mine host Barrigan, supplied the wants of the inner man in a most creditable manner, and everyone went home feeling that the day had been spent with pleasure and profit to all.

Hoard's

Alice Rannie returned to Mr. Ed. Rannie's on Tuesday, from her holidays spent with her parents in Unionville.

Mrs Percy Parr spent a few days recently at the home of her mother, Mrs Hutcheon of Menie.

Rhoda Anderson was the guest of Alex. Hoard for a couple of days last week.

Mrs John Younger returned on Wednesday from a visit with friends in Barrie.

Andrew Haig has returned home from the shanty.

Mr and Mrs J. Scott and Mr and Mrs John Parks were guests at Wallace Hoards on Wednesday evening.

Ivan Claney, Saskatoon, has been home for the past week.

Mr and Mrs H. C. Martin spent Sunday at the home of her parents here.

Mr and Mrs Frank Williams and Norah spent Sunday at the home of Mr Nobes, Sidney Town Hall.

On Sunday, Messrs, Wilbert Hagerman, Leize Johnson and Arthur McAdam called on Frank Jeffs who has been on the sick list for sometime. We are glad to hear he is getting better.

Mrs Eliza Hoard, Stirling, has been visiting her daughter, Mrs David Benedict.

Mrs Fred Parker and George spent Wednesday night at Frank Bailey's.

Mr and Mrs Hector Whitton spent Thursday with her parents in Murray.

On Friday evening about seventy friends and neighbors gathered at the home of Henry Hammond and presented Mrs Alfred Wilson with a handsome set of dishes.

About twenty-five ladies were present at the Ladies Aid meeting, held at the home of Mrs Wallace Hoards on the 7th. The next meeting will be at Mrs John Park's the first Wednesday in February.

Winter seems to have come at last. There has been no skating for the past week. La Grippe and Colds are very prevalent these days.

Rawdon Council

Rawdon Town Hall, Jan. 12, 1914.

The members elect for the Township of Rawdon met on above date for organization except Mr. Jeffs who was detained on account of illness.

After taking the declarations of Qualification and Office the following gentlemen will constitute the Council for the current year, viz,—

Thos. Montgomery Reeve
E. W. Hawkins Deputy Reeve
Councillors,—A. Haslett, C. W. Thompson and Fred Jeffs.

The minutes of last meeting were read as adopted. The Road Surveyor reported the Council not liable where Mr. Sweet upset.

By-Laws appointing Township Officers for the current year were read a first time.

Moved by Mr. Hawkins seconded by Mr. Thompson that the Council go into a Committee of the whole on By-Laws, Mr. Montgomery in the chair Carried.

By-Laws were read clause by clause and upon motions moved, seconded and adopted, the following names were inserted as officers for the current year,

Assessors,–Thos. Montgomery and D. W. Roblin.
Auditors,–Jas. Scott and Wm. Meiklejohn.
E. W. Hawkins Health Officer.
John Bateman Road Surveyor.
Jas. McComb Sanitary Inspector.

Moved by Mr. Thompson, seconded by Mr. Hawkins that Council resume. Carried.

By-Laws were read a third time and signed, sealed and numbered, 342, 343, 344, 345, and 346.

Mr. John McInroy offered to sell a Gravel Pit, Mr. Haslett and the Road Surveyor were instructed to inspect and report.

Moved by Mr. Haslett seconded by Mr. Hawkins that Mr. Sabine's offer to do the Township Printing at the same rate as last year be accepted. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Haslett seconded by Mr. Thompson that Jas. Spry get $2 overcharge in Dog Tax. Carried.

Mr. M. Sweet and Mr. Andrew Reid claimed errors in Dog Tax. No action taken.

Moved by Mr. Haslett seconded by Mr. Thompson that the Clerk send for six copies of the Municipal World. Carried.

An appeal from the Sick Children,s Hospital was laid over.

The following accounts were read.

W. J. Jeffrey	50 yds gravel			$2.50
John Baker	32 "	"		1.60
W. J. Bateman	260 rd. wire fence			39.00
P. V. Green	30 "	"	"	4.50
Jas. Montgomery	77 "	"	"	11.55
Jno. Christie	83 "	"	"	12.45
R. L. Christie	97 "	"	"	14.55
Jas. Spry overcharge in Dog Tax				2.00

Moved by Mr. Haslett seconded by Mr. Montgomery that the accounts be passed and ordered to be paid. Carried.

Council adjourned to meet Monday Feb. 2nd 1914, at 10 o'clock, a.m.

W. F. Bateman Clerk.

FOR SALE

By Auction, Household furniture, Farm Stock and Implements. 1 Cleaner and Engine in first class condition. On Wednesday, Jan. 28th, at 1 P. M. Lot 15 Con. 10 Township of Rawdon. The usual terms allowed.

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From this world of endless pain.
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Where we pray to meet again.

In memory of Alfred D. Cooney who departed this life for the Great Eternal Jan. 13th 1905.

(Asleep but not forever.)

Personal And Social.

Mrs. H. Morrison will receive on Wednesday afternoon Jan. 21st, from 3 to 5.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. McKee who have been spending the past week with friends in and around Madoc, returned home on Wednesday last

Miss Rachel Macfarlane of Vancouver B. C. who has been a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Martin for the past week left on Monday for Kingston and other points.

Mr. J. H. Branion of Aylmer a student of Queens University, who came here Thursday last to attend the funeral of the late Milton Elliott, returned to Kingston on Friday accompanied by E. W. Matthews and J. L. Pearse. While here they were the guests of E. W. Matthews.

MARRIED

Cassidy—Eggleton,—

A very pleasing event took place on the evening of Jan. 7th, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walton Eggleton, second concession of Sydney, when their eldest daughter Mary Alberta became the bride of Mr. Thomas Cassidy the son of James Cassidy of Cooper

The house was tastefully decorated for the occasion, and promptly at eight o'clock the bridal party entered the drawing-room to the strains of the Wedding March played by Miss Effie Cassidy, sister of the groom, and took their places under an arch of evergreen and roses beneath a floral bell.

The ceremony was performed by the Rev. E. E. Howard of Bayside Circuit, in the presence of one hundred and seventy-five invited guests.

The bride who was given away by her father looked charming in a gown of white silk with overdress of shadow lace and pearls. She wore the traditional bridal veil and crown of orange blossoms and carried a bouquet of carnations and lily of the valley.

The bride was attended by her sister Ethel, who wore a gown of copenhagen blue silk with trimmings of lace, and carried a bouquet of carnations and chrysantheums.

Two little girls, cousins of the bride Miss Ruth Eggleton and Miss Bessie Dickens, acted as flower girls wearing dresses of white silk and carrying between them a basket of daisies and carnations. The groom was ably assisted by Mr. Arthur Blair.

The bride was the receptant of many lovely and costly presents showing the high esteem in which she is held. The groom's gift to the bride was a sable muff, to the bridesmaid a bracelet set with sapphires, to the flower-girls rings set with rubies, to the best man gold cuff links.

The young couple left on the two train for Toronto and other Western points. The bride travelling in a brown suit with white beaver picture hat and plumes.

On the evening of Dec. 31st about seventy friends and neighbors gathered at the bride's home to present her with a linen shower in honor of her coming marriage. The evening was spent in music, recitations and a poem contest. About midnight lunch was served and the party broke up all having spent an enjoyable time.

Thrasher—Summers

A quiet wedding took place at high noon on Wednesday January seventh at the home of Mr. James Summers when their youngest daughter Annie May was united in marriage to Roy Glenmore Thrasher, by Rev. J. A. Connell.

The bride was prettily gowned in cream serge with overlace and satin trimmings. Miss Helen Sharpe acted as flower girl and Master Murney Johnston as ring bearer.

The groom's gift to the bride was an organ, to the flower girl a gold locket and chain and to the ring-bearer a signet ring. Mid showers of rice and confetti the happy couple left by auto for the afternoon train for Ottawa where they will visit relatives.

Previous to the wedding neighbors and friends numbering about eighty gathered at her home and presented her with a variety shower. After lunch several impromptu speeches were given, all speaking of the high esteem in which she is held in this vicinity.

Miss Summers has been secretary of Mount Pleasant Sunday School for a number of years and a willing worker in all church work. The numerous and costly presents were evidence of the deep appreciation of her services.

Their many friends wish them success and happiness, also that their lives will, like the maple leaf, grow more beautiful as they fade.

Mr and Mrs A. H. Bailey of Appamrose Farm, Stirling, announce the marriage of their daughter Vita May at Creelman, Sask. on January 1st 1914, to Lewis C. Locke of that place, where they will in future reside. The Brides many friends here will wish her and partner many years of prosperity and happiness.

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A very bad fire occurred at Montreal this week and an $80.000 blaze at Toronto, while nearer home Belleville on Tuesday had a $30.000 fire when the large Shuster Block was destroyed.

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Thursday, JAN. 15, 1914

Owing to the very slow delivery of our mails in a large part of our surrounding district we have been forced to return to our former day of issue "Thursdays." As a sample of quite a large number of our mail deliveries, our papers mailed at 5 p.m. (the proper time of mailing,) will be ready for delivery to our subscribers in Toronto about 9. 30 a.m. the next morning, while they will not get to many of our subscribers, 3 to 6 miles from the village, until between 4 and 5 o'clock in the afternoon, 7 to 8 hours later than at Toronto, while to the district surrounding Frankford from 4 to 8 miles from Stirling, as far as we can make out it usually takes two days for delivery.

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Madoc Junction

A number from here attended the wedding of Miss Mary Eggleton in Sidney last Wednesday.

Rev. E. A. Tonkin took charge of the Thursday evening service last week, the weather has not been very favorable for the weekly meetings.

Many of our people have been on the sick list.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrews spent Sunday in Marmora.

Miss Marguerite Eggleton assisted with the programme at the Baptist church on Monday evening.

Several from here attended the anniversary services at the Sidney Baptist church last Sabbath. Rev. Jas. Cross of Campbellford occupied the pulpit and delivered two excellent sermons, and on Monday night gave an address on the religious struggle of this century. Mr. Cross said the gospel will develop hidden powers undreamed of, and spoke of the Divine methods. He spoke very feelingly of the two selections by Miss Ethel Hough which appealed to the deeper feelings of all. A solo by Rev. E. Church was rendered with excellent expression. Refreshments were served at the close.

Over 789,000,000 shingles, one half of entire shingle production of Canada in 1912, were manufactured in B. C. Western red cedar was used exclusively.

The library of the Forestry Branch, Ottawa, contains over 1,200 volumes and more than 4,500 photographs of forestry work in Canada and elsewhere.

County Black Chapter Meeting

The annual meeting of the County Black Chapter of Hastings County, will be held in the Orange Hall, Madoc, on Tuesday the 20th day of January 1914, at 10 o'clock A. M.

All Sir. Knights are requested to attend.

E. JACKMAN.
County Reg.

ALEX MARTIN
County Preceptor.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

IN THE MATTER of the Estate of Annie G. Runnalls, late of the Township of Rawdon, in the County of Hastings, Married Woman, deceased.

Notice is hereby given pursuant to section No. 53, Chapter No. 26 of the Statutes of Ontario, one George 5th.

That all persons having claims against the said Annie G. Runnalls deceased, who died on or about the 27th, day of February A. D. One thousand nine hundred and ten, in the Township of Rawdon aforesaid, are required to send by post prepaid or deliver to Abraham D. Runnalls, the administrator, Harold Post Office, Ontario, or to his Solicitor as hereunder on or before the 30th, day of January A. D. One thousand nine hundred and fourteen, their names and addresses with full particulars of their claims in writing and the nature of securities, if any held by them fully verified by Statutary Declaration.

And further take notice that after said 30th, day of January, A. D. one thousand nine hundred and fourteen, the Assets of the Said Estate will be distributed by the Administrator among the parties entitled thereto having regard only to the claims which he shall then have notice and the estate will not be liable for any claims not filed at the time of said distribution.

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8	48	16½	4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 9	.26	.28	.31
9	36	12	3, 3, 3, 4, 5, 6, 6, 6	.27	.29	.32
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THE FALLEN IDOL

Lizzie Drew smiled her gratitude for the penny tip left on the table, bade the departing patron a cheery "Good-day!" and bore off the debris of his meal to that mysterious region which was situated behind the partition in Penway's Coffee Palace.

"That's the last of 'em," she said, putting the crockery down near the tall, angular woman who was vigorously washing plates. "There won't be no one else coming now till tea-time."

The woman was quick to notice the girl's forlorn tones.

"Tired, Liz?" she asked, sympathetically.

"No, thank you, Mrs. West," returned the girl. "I'm all right."

Mrs. West stood looking at the girl in silence for a moment.

"Can't think what's come over you of late," she said presently. "You don't seem yourself at all. If I didn't know better, I'd say there was a young man somewhere."

"Of course there ain't," denied the girl, blushing.

"And you used to be so bright and cheerful, too," continued Mrs. West. "But now—— Ain't that someone knocking on the table?"

Lizzie Drew, at once alert to the summons, peered round the corner at the partition, and a sudden excitement appeared to animate her. Stepping back to the slip of a mirror on the wall, she glanced anxiously at her reflection. Reassured, she went briskly forward to take the order of the young man who had just entered.

Mrs. West, marking the instant transformation in the girl, turned to glance through the door of the partition, and nodded sagely to herself at sight of the girl's eagerness.

"Better late than never," smiled Lizzie. "I thought you weren't coming at all to-day."

"Shouldn't 'ave thought you'd 'ave missed me," said the young man carelessly.

"Of course I missed you!" exclaimed the girl. "I mean, you're—you're such a good customer, and you've been coming here regular for such a long time. Nearly two months, every workday."

"I suppose I have," said the young man, and began to read a paper.

The girl set a steaming plate of food before him and hesitated wistfully for a moment. Setting up his paper in front of him, he continued steadily to read.

"So that's it, is it?" crooned Mrs. West, in triumph, when Lizzie returned momentarily to the back of the shop.

"I don't know what you mean," said Lizzie, looking away.

"Oh, I can see as far through a needle's-eye as anyone else!" returned Mrs. West. "It's no good you're denying it, Lizzie Drew; you're gone on that young man!"

For a second or two the girl seemed minded to deny the charge. Then, from out of the loneliness and drudgery of her life, there rose a vast yearning for human sympathy and understanding—a longing for compassion which swept away all effort at reserve.

"Lor', I'd die for 'im!" she burst out vehemently.

"'Ush, Lizzie!" begged Mrs. West, scandalized at the girl's intensity.

"But I would—I would!" she declared, and began to sob quietly.

"'Ush, dearie! They'll 'ear you," whispered Mrs. West, laying a kindly hand on the girl's shoulder. "You mustn't go on like that."

"But I do love 'im!" exclaimed the girl, looking up.

"Ah, but 'oo is 'e—what is 'e?" queried Mrs. West acutely.

"I don't know, except that his name's Bert—Bert Mason," Lizzie asserted, growing calmer. "And 'e's a gentleman, I feel sure. 'E's so different from all them others we get in 'ere."

"And has 'e taken any notice of you?"

"No," confessed the girl, sadly.

"It ain't 'ardly wise to fall in love till you're asked to," remarked Mrs. West sententiously.

"I can't 'elp it. Every time 'e's come in 'ere I've thought more and more of 'im. There ain't a thing I wouldn't do to 'elp 'im if I got the chance!"

"Well, then," said Mrs. West, with a tolerant smile, "you've got a chance now to 'elp 'im a bit. You can 'elp 'im to 'is suet-pudding."

The girl patted her eyes, and went briskly forward. To her regret, another customer entered to divide her attention with the young man.

She placed Mr. Mason's second course before him, purposely omitting to bring the treacle, so that he should have to call her again.

"Sorry I forgot the treacle," remarked Lizzie presently. "I don't often forget things, do I?"

"No, you look after me a treat," admitted Mr. Mason. "I only hope I shall be as well looked after when I'm married!"

"Fancy you're talking of getting married!" smiled Miss Drew.

"Well, I'm getting married in less than a month from to-day, anyhow," said Mr. Mason, busy with the treacle spoon.

Lizzie swayed just perceptibly and closed her eyes, and when she opened them again her face was very white.

"I—I 'ope you'll be happy!" she whispered.

"I've been buying my young lady a present this morning," he remarked conversationally. "Would you like to see it?"

He took a small, square velvet box from his waistcoat-pocket, and, opening it, showed the girl a glittering brooch.

"Awfully pretty!" mumbled Lizzie mechanically, and went back to the obscurity afforded by the partition.

Mr. Mason gazed at the ornament with gratification, and was about to return it to his pocket, when the man at the adjoining table rose and came over to him.

"Morning, Toff!" he observed. "That's a nice brooch you've got there."

Mr. Mason started perceptibly at the voice, and stared up at the other man.

"Brooker!" he exclaimed, aghast.

"Guessed right at once. I suppose you didn't recognize me without my moustache—eh? But, there, we were talking about that bit of jewellery you've got."

"It's my own—bought and paid for," returned Mr. Mason, sullenly.

"Ah, well, I'll have to find out whether that's the truth," said the other. "We've been a bit suspicious about you lately. You've been keeping so quiet."

"I've been running straight—as straight as a die," declared Mason. "Really, I have, Mr. Brooker. I don't mind what inquiries you detectives make about me, you'll find I'm telling you the truth. There's no need for you to shadow me."

"Oh, I wasn't shadowing you, my son! I'm keeping my eye open for far bigger game than you. But, tell me, where did you get that brooch?"

"Bought it, I tell you!" insisted Mason resentfully.

"A likely tale!" sneered the detective. "You're not going to tell me that Toff Mason, who's done time for housebreaking and another little bit of burglary, has turned honest and taken to buying jewellery in a lawful way!"

He did not notice that the little waitress had tiptoed down to listen to his words, and was staring in incredulous horror at the drawn face of her idol.

"I should have thought you'd have given a chap a chance to run straight," said Mason.

"Come," retorted the detective, "tell me about that brooch! Where did you get it?"

Mason made no answer, but stared desperately at the detective. Lizzie's eyes were on him. She had said she would do anything to serve him. Now was her opportunity.

"'E—'e don't know much about it!" she exclaimed breathlessly, tottering forward.

Both men turned in surprise. Lizzie, moved by futile inspiration, turned to the detective.

"I—I picked up that brooch in the street," she said, "and I gave it to Mr. Mason. I—I asked 'im to sell it for me. 'E—'e didn't know 'ow I come to 'ave it. And——"

She stopped and looked at Mason, hoping that he would realize to the full the motives which prompted her. Mason gazed back at her in amazement. The detective merely laughed aloud.

"Don't be silly, my dear," he begged, good-naturedly. "You forget I was looking on when he showed it to you just now."

Limply the girl's arms fell to her sides. The detective turned to Mason.

"We'll just go along and see your employer," he said. "Come on!"

Mason rose, and held out his hand to the girl.

"I—I don't understand," he said, awkwardly. "But—but thank you!"

"I did my best," she said, and continued staring through the door long after he and his companion had vanished over the threshold.

A miserable three days for Lizzie followed. At every newsboy's call she would hasten to the door, lest she should miss the item of intelligence for which she had been looking with so much dread.

But no police-court news contained the name of Mason, nor could she catch any scrap of gossip concerning him passing between the frequenters of Penway's Coffee Palace.

And then at last Mason in the flesh entered the establishment once more. He came in almost with an air of shame, and did not look up when Lizzie went to learn his needs.

"You—you're here again, then?" she whispered. "They—they didn't——"

"They couldn't do anything to me," he answered. "I'd bought that brooch square enough. You see, I'd managed to get a job with a little working jeweller. I knew the trade, and he'd been taken ill, and his wife was a bit worried, so she took me on without asking too many awkward questions."

"Well, why didn't you tell the detective that?"

"I knew he'd make inquiries to see if it was true. And then it would all come out—what I've been—and there'd be the end of my job. That was why I wouldn't answer. But it was only a waste of time. They found out who I was working for, and took me straight to him. He turned up trumps. He told them it was quite right about the brooch. And, what's more, he didn't take any notice of what Brooker told him about me."

"Good for 'im!" exclaimed Lizzie, with enthusiasm.

"And—and I'm grateful to you for what you tried to do for me," he said. "I couldn't understand it then. I can't understand it now. But I'm grateful. And I'd like to give you something in memory of it. Please take it."

"But—but," stammered Lizzie, staring at the brooch which had caused all the trouble, "I thought you bought this for your young lady."

"She got to learn about me," he answered. "Brooker made a point of seeing her and her father. And she's turned me down in consequence—she's done with me!"

"And good riddance for you!" indignantly declared Lizzie. "She ought to believe you when you say you were going straight."

"Do you believe me?" he asked.

"I should just think I do!"

"And you don't—you don't throw the past up at me?"

"I think too highly of you as you are," whispered Lizzie.

"Then may I come here every day in future?" asked the young man boldly.—London Answers.

STIRRED OVER CLAIRVOYANT.

Private in French Army Predicts War With Germany.

Military circles in Paris, and more particularly in Versailles, are much interested in a prediction which has been made by a private in the Versailles aviation corps named Dumanet. The man is a Breton, and both his officers and his comrades are firmly convinced that he has the gift of clairvoyance, or "second sight." Recently Dumanet said to a sergeant: "You will be reduced to the ranks in a couple of days." The sergeant laughed, and then became angry, but two days later he insulted one of his officers and lost his stripes.

There was a scandal in the barracks at Versailles over the loss of postal orders worth between $15 and $20, and suspicion fell on a non-commissioned officer.

An officer thought of calling in Dumanet's help to clear up the mystery. He hypnotized the man, who, without a moment's hesitation and in the presence of several witnesses, took the officer by the hand, led him across the barrack yard and up a flight of stairs, and discovered the stolen postal orders in the bed of a man, who broke down under examination and confessed that he was the guilty person, though no suspicion whatever had attached to him before.

Dumanet declares that France and Germany will be at war in less than a month, and his officers considered the prophecy worthy of mention to the War Office.

It Made a Show.

Usher—"What did the bride's father give for a wedding-present?"

Best Man—"A check for $500."

Usher—"Why, that old bankrupt hasn't a dollar."

Best Man—"That's why he gave a check."

A WINTER VIEW OF FAMOUS MONASTERY OF ST. BERNARD IN THE ALPS.

The Most Widely Known Monastery in the World.

The Monastery of St. Bernard is known the world over for its hospitality, its famous dogs, and its trained rescue brigade. The dogs wander through the mountains day and night in search of travellers lost in the snow or trapped by a sudden snowfall. Each dog carries a small keg in which are eatables and brandy to refresh the traveller and strengthen him for his trip through the snowdrifts to the monastery.

HOME

Homemade Salted Nuts.

Salted nuts are always acceptable as a part of the refreshment for afternoon and evening entertainments, and as an adjunct to the simple home dinner as well as to the formal one.

They are expensive when they are bought ready salted, and unless they are bought of a reliable caterer they sometimes taste stale. They can be made easily, inexpensively and well made at home.

Peanuts are appetizing and so much less expensive than almonds that it is a wonder they are not more often substituted for almonds. To salt them buy unroasted peanuts—which can easily be purchased from any street vendor of peanuts. Shell them and remove the inside skins by letting them stand for a few minutes in boiling water, after which the skins may be removed easily between the thumb and forefinger. Leave them in the hot water only long enough to wilt or cook the nuts.

There are several ways of browning the nuts. One way is to put two teaspoonfuls of olive oil—it must be of good quality—in a pan and roll the nuts in it. Then put them in a brisk oven and leave them there until they are brown.

Another way is to put a tablespoonful of oil in the bottom of a chafing dish, turn the heat full on and drop in enough nuts at a time to cover the bottom of the pan. Keep the nuts moving over the flame until they have turned a delicate brown.

Almonds shelled and blanched, and pecans, carefully cracked but not blanched, can be salted in the same manner as peanuts.

When they are brown turn them in a paper and sprinkle them with salt. Let them cool before taking them from the paper, which absorbs the superfluous oil and makes them pleasanter to handle.

Creole Secrets for Soup.

Here are some rules that the old Creole cooks give for soup making—and if you have ever been in Louisiana you know that their soup is worth emulating:

To get the most goodness out of a soup bone it should be fractured every inch of its length. The soup should never stop cooking from the time it is put on the stove until it is done, although it should at no time boil furiously.

Once the soup is started cooking, no water should be added, as this spoils the flavor.

The soup bone should be put into cold water and no salt should be added till the soup is done, as the salt stops the flow of the juices.

The soup should cook from five to seven hours at least.

All spices used in the soup should be put in whole—that is, whole black and white peppers, cloves, bay leaves, cloves of garlic, etc.

One quart of water should be allowed for every pound of meat and bone, to begin with. This is a rule of the Creoles, but they make rich soup. It weaker soup is to be made, or if vegetables as well as meat are used in the stock, the amount of water can be increased.

Hints for the Home.

Common soap, rubbed on the hinges of a creaking door, will do away with the trouble.

Fasten a pincushion to the top of the sewing machine arm and whole minutes will be saved.

A hot water platter is a boon to the housewife whose "men folks" are frequently late for dinner.

The business man's lunch of a glass of milk and a piece of apple pie is really a well-chosen meal.

Add a pinch of borax to the rinsing water of handkerchiefs, if you would have them a little stiff.

Baked apples are delicious with their cores filled with orange marmalade or chopped nuts and sugar.

Irons will heat more quickly and stay hot longer if a cake tin or other cover is turned upside down over them.

An ordinary piece of mince pie is said to be the equal in food value to a piece of beef, a slice of bread and a potato.

A faded carpet can be brightened and cleaned by rubbing with warm water and ammonia, with a little borax in it.

The dessert that fails in its appeal to the palate is a wasted attempt, for desserts are eaten for pleasure, not hunger.

Wet the kitchen stove while cold with a cloth dipped in kerosene oil; then apply the blacking. The stove will keep clean much longer.

"All odors end here" is the inflexible rule of charcoal. If the charcoal is made red-hot and then cooled before using, its virtues are increased.

Borax is the best hairbrush cleaner. Add a teaspoonful of borax and a tablespoonful of soda to the water in which the hairbrush is to be washed.

A change the children will appreciate is the baking of mincemeat in tart shape. Simply line patty pans with the pastry and then fill them, covering the top.

Tomato sauce is peculiarly good with baked beans. Cold baked beans covered with tomato sauce and baked in the oven till the whole is brown, is also a savory luncheon dish.

A fruit jelly—apples, bananas and pineapple chopped and put into a foundation of gelatine, strawberry juice and hot water—makes a delicious salad, served on lettuce leaves.

It is an excellent idea to have a guest chest in the guest room. It should contain emergency things—a nightgown, a bathrobe, slippers, soap, wash cloths, even a brand-new toothbrush.

When hot cloths are needed constantly in time of sickness, keep a colander full of them over a kettle half full of boiling water. Keep the kettle covered on the back of the range.

Colored goods should be ironed while damp and upon the wrong side. Delicate colors should not be subjected to a hot iron, because this fades them quite as much as hanging on the line in the sun.

A good luncheon dish is made of the macaroni and stewed tomatoes left from the night before. Heat them over again together and serve, or pour into a baking dish, cover with bread crumbs and bake till brown.

Most of your friends will stand by you as long as you have a dollar.

Probably some men hesitate about paying their debts because they fear their creditors may have heart failure.

An Englishman had bought through an agent an estate in the Northern Highlands, and when summer came he went to inspect it. One part of his journey was by coach, and he thought to get some information about the place from the driver. So after some preliminaries: "You may know a place called Cloch na Kilty?" "I do that." "You have been there?" "I have been that." "And what do you think of the place?" "I will not be thinking much." "Oh! Tell me what you think." "If ye were to see the de'il tethered there ye'd say, 'Puir brute!'"

A WONDERFUL WOOD.

There is no Limit to the Durability of Greenheart.

A most wonderful wood is that of the tropical tree called greenheart. The tree belongs to the laurel family, and is exported mainly from the island of Trinidad and British Guiana. The wood is so nearly indestructible that no limit to its life is known. It is used chiefly in ship and dock-building. Nansen's ship, the Fram, and Captain Scott's first ship, the Discovery, were both built of greenheart. The wood is proof against the white ant on land and the teredo in salt water. A United States government report says:

Greenheart has been known to stand in wharves for over thirty years, and logs that have remained under water for one hundred years are in perfectly sound condition. All the gates, piers, and jetties of the Liverpool docks, and almost all the lock-gates of the Bridgewater Canal, in England, are of greenheart. Fifty pairs of lock-gates in the Manchester (England) Ship Canal are made of it. There is no known limit to the durability of lock-gates of greenheart; the wood is far more durable than the iron bolts and other fastenings. When the greenheart dock-gates in Liverpool harbor were removed, in order that the channel might be deepened and widened, the wood originally used in their construction was used in building the new gates. So the wood in the gates of the Canada dock, built in 1856, was used again when the dock was rebuilt in 1894. All the sills and fenders in the lock-gates of the Panama Canal are of greenheart.

Greenheart's extraordinary resistance to decay is probably owing to the presence of an alkaloid known as bibirine, and also to certain resinous substances known as tyloses. The latter are reddish-brown masses of living cells that grow in solid masses within little cavities that they often fill completely. As they grow with the tree they turn black, and make the wood of the older trees black.

As in all tropical trees, whose growth is continuous through the year, there are no annual growth rings; the trees probably do not reach maturity under 250 years. A greenheart tree is from sixty to one hundred feet in height; it is an evergreen without knots, and has a broad, open crown. The wood weighs about seventy-five pounds to the cubic foot, and resists a crushing force of twelve thousand pounds to the square inch.

MONUMENTS TO POTATOES.

Several German Towns Have Thus Glorified the Vegetable.

There are monuments to human beings, to animals, and, in one case known to the writer, to a lifeboat, but it has been reserved to Germany to rear monuments to the potato.

At Offenberg, in Germany, a private donor has erected a really beautiful monument in honor of the potato. The upper part is a statue of Sir Francis Drake, who is alleged to have introduced the plant into Europe. This, and the pedestal also, is draped with garlands of the potato plant, with full-grown tubers. On one side of the pedestal is Drake's name, on another side is an inscription in praise of the potato, on another the name of the donor is given.

Nor is this the only German town having a monument to the glorification of the potato. The town of Murz has a similar statue to Drake and the potato, and in several of the small towns of the empire there are similar monuments.

The funny thing about these statues to Drake in association with the introduction of the potato is that Drake had no more to do with the matter than you have. According to popular belief the introducer of the potato was Sir Wilter Raleigh. Raleigh heard of such a plant from his people whom he had sent out to colonize America, and he had some sent to him in Ireland, where he is alleged to have caused them to be planted. Such, at least, is the generally accepted version of the introduction of the potato, although we know that Raleigh had as little to do with the matter as Drake, for Raleigh found the potato already growing in Ireland, where it had been introduced by the Spaniards before his time.

But whether Raleigh or the Spaniards are the introducers of the potato we now stand little chance of knowing; of one thing, however, we do know, and that is that Drake had nothing to do with it. Yet Germany has erected statues to Drake and the potato.

The Cavalry Cop.

"My papa is a mounted policeman," said small Eric to a visitor.

"Is that better than being a walking policeman?" asked the visitor.

"'Course it is," replied Eric. "If there is trouble he can get away quicker."

Some self-made men evidently did the job in the dark.

THE HALF-SPEED MAN AND WOMAN

What It Means When You Feel "All Out of Sorts."

You know what it means to feel "all out of sorts." Most people have felt this way at some time. Nerves out of order, irritable, languid, depressed. An aching head, a fagged brain, appetite bad and digestion weak. With some people this condition comes and goes; with others it is chronic; they can't shake it off. It interferes with business, spoils recreation and robs life of all its joys. These men and women are only able to live and work at "half speed."

Half-speed people have lost that abundant natural vitality which enables others to go "full-speed-ahead" through life. Their energy and nerve power have evaporated—they cannot work long without breaking down. The trouble is nerve weakness and is caused by poor, watery blood. You can begin to improve your condition to-day by taking Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. They make rich, red blood once more pulsate through your veins, and your nerves thrill with fresh vigor. Here is convincing evidence that new strength and full health can be had through the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. Mr. Newton Mayhew, North Tryon, P.E.I., says: "I am a farmer and naturally have to work very hard. The result was that I found myself very much run down. My blood became thin and watery, and my muscles flabby. I took doctors' treatment but it did not help me and I grew so weak that I could scarcely work at all. As I found the medical treatment was not helping me I decided to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and in these I found the medicine I needed, as in a short time I was restored to my old health and vigor. I shall always recommend these pills to all sufferers."

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are sold by all medicine dealers, or will be mailed, post free, at 50 cents a box or six boxes for $2.50 by The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

TO BUILD TURKISH NAVY.

Big Contract Placed for Thirty Years With British Firm.

The material efficiency of Turkey's navy will be for thirty years almost entirely in British hands. The Ottoman Government has recently placed a contract to continue for three decades with Armstrong and Vickers, a British firm, and which has taken over the Turkish arsenal and naval station and will resume control of both repairs and construction.

This is one of the many instances in which British firms are helping in building up the navies of other countries. While busy with British orders, the shipbuilding and armament firms in England are also assisting South American Republics, Russia, Spain and Greece.

The Turkish reconstruction is probably the biggest undertaking, since it is wholly in British hands. A new naval base is to be established at Ismidt, about sixty miles from Constantinople on the Asiatic shore of the Gulf of Marmora. For 200 years it was the site of Turkey's arsenal and dock yards, but was abandoned in 1879, owing to the harbor silting up. It will take a dozen years to restore the harbor and bring it up to the standard of a modern naval base. However, it is the intention to build here a construction plant capable of building modern battleships.

In the meantime, the present Turkish navy, so badly treated by the Greeks in the recent war, is to be overhauled in the arsenal at the Golden Horn. A staff of Englishmen to superintend the work is already in Constantinople, and although it is proposed to use Turkish labor and material as much as possible, much will come from England. The board of administration will consist of five Englishmen and four Turks, the latter appointed by the Ottoman Government. Besides naval work the company expects to do considerable repair work for the mercantile marine visiting Turkish waters.

One of the terms of the contract was that the firm was to secure for Turkey a loan of $5,000,000 on favorable terms. This has already been secured, but it is not stated for what the money is to be used. The Porte needs a lot of money for the reorganization of the army, which is again to be undertaken by Germans, despite the adverse criticism of the army trained by them in the battles in Thrace, but it is likely German banks will lend money for this. The English money may, therefore, go in part payment for the battleship Rio de Janeiro, built by Armstrong and Vickers for the Brazilian Government, and for which Greece and Turkey have been competitors.

"It is said that more than one person has been killed by kissing." "Yes, but isn't it great if you live through it?"

SHOULD GOLD TURN TO DROSS

How Would Financiers Revise the Monetary Situation.

The interesting problem was raised by one of the French reviews recently, what would happen if gold were produced in such enormous quantities as to sink in value to the level of the baser metals. The three contingencies discussed were the extraction of gold from sea water, which was dismissed as too expensive to be attainable; the increase from existing mines, which would be negligible from the sensational standpoint of the argument; and the probability of the production of gold by chemical means.

It was the third means of production which was treated as seriously as the nature of the subject permitted, and it was declared that in relying upon the recent progress of experimental physics and of chemical synthesis, the possibility of the transmutation of the metals could no longer be considered a simple chimera and might become a reality of to-morrow or the day after to-morrow.

All these experiments, however, rest ultimately upon gold. If gold became dross, it would be necessary either to find a substitute metal possessing similar qualities, or to reorganize the existing monetary systems of the commercial nations. The latter is not beyond the reach of sane discussion and of definite proposals. Its essential defect would lie in the absence of power to enforce international agreements in case of financial weakness offered strong inducements for their violation.

The romantic dream of the sudden dethronement of gold from its place as the standard metal would be controlled, to begin with, by the cost of the processes of production of artificial gold. The mere discovery that gold could be produced by chemical processes would not solve the problem. Unless it could be produced in large quantities at a cost materially below the cost of quartz-mining in South Africa, the new process would remain only an interesting toy.

PEARLS OF TRUTH.

And the Kingdom of Heaven is of the child-like, of those who are easy to please, who love and who give pleasure.—R. L. Stevenson.

Many in this world run after felicity like the absent-minded man hunting for his hat, while all the time it is on his head or in his hand. —Sydney Smith.

Wealth is honorable, and may be used most blessedly when men regard themselves as being what indeed they are—stewards of it, and not the owners.—Farrer.

Money is the last enemy that shall never be subdued. While there is flesh there is money—or the want of money; but money is always on the brain so long as there is a brain in reasonable order.—Samuel Butler.

Clergymen and gardeners have, on the whole, the longest and most healthy lives. It is due in each case to the fact that both clergyman and gardeners live the most perfect mental, moral and physical lives.—John Burns.

The greatest vocation of all for women must ever be the home, and to recognize that home depends on woman, and that the cultivated woman exalts its influence was to put our value of women's education on the right lines.—Sir A. Hopkinson.

SKIN CLEARED

By Simple Change in Food.

It has been said by a physician that most diseases are the result of indigestion.

There's undoubtedly much truth in the statement, even to the cause of many unsightly eruptions, which many suppose can be removed by applying some remedy on the outside.

By changnig her food a Western girl was relieved of an eczema which was a great annoyance to her. She writes:

"For five months I was suffering with an eruption on my face and hands which our doctor called eczema and which caused me a great deal of inconvenience. The suffering was almost unbearable.

"The medicine I took only gave me temporary relief. One day I happened to read somewhere that eczema was caused by indigestion. Then I read that many persons had been relieved of indigestion by eating Grape-Nuts.

"I decided to try it. I liked the taste of the food and was particularly pleased to notice that my digestion was improving and that the eruption was disappearing as if by magic. I had at last found, in this great food, something that reached my trouble.

"When I find a victim of this affliction I remember my own former suffering and advise a trial of Grape-Nuts food instead of medicines."

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Ever read the above letter? A new one appears from time to time. They are genuine, true, and full of human interest.

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Frequent shampoos with Cuticura Soap, assisted when necessary by gentle anointings with Cuticura Ointment, afford the purest, sweetest and most economical method of freeing the scalp of infants and children from minor eruptions, itchings and scalings and of establishing permanent hair health.

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His Fate.

"What became of that fellow Tweedley?" "Oh, he opened a shop." "Doing well?" "No—doing time. He was caught in the act."

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If you have Red, Weak, Watery Eyes or Granulated Eyelids. Doesn't Smart—Soothes Eye Pain. Druggists Sell Murine Eye Remedy, Liquid, 25c, 50c. Murine Eye Salve in Aseptic Tubes, 25c, 50c. Eye Books Free by Mail.

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It is the privilege of few to have their faces on coins. Most people are content to get their hands on them.

Minard's Liniment Cures Distemper.

Bobby's Invitation.

Little Bobby wanted a birthday party to which his mother consented provided he asked his little friend Peter. The boys had had trouble, but rather than not have a party, Bobby promised his mother to invite Peter. On the evening of the party when all the small guests had arrived except Peter, the mother became suspicious and sought her son.

"Bobby," she said, "did you invite Peter to your party to-night?"

"Of course I did, mother!"

"And did he say he would come?"

"No," replied Bobby. "I invited him to come all right, but I dared him to."

Don't do any worrying to-day that you can put off till to-morrow.

Good-Bye, Old Backache, Nerviline Will Fix You!

Stiffness is Rubbed Right Out; Every Sign of Pain Disappears.

Gee whiz—think of it!

No more stomach dosing necessary to cure your lame back.

Every trace of lameness, every bit of stiffness, every sign of weakness in the back's muscles can be rubbed away for all time to come by good old "Nerviline"

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Backache isn't the only malady Nerviline is quick to cure. For lumbago or sciatica you would go far to find relief so speedy as Nerviline gives. For chronic rheumatism there are pain-destroying properties in Nerviline that give it first rank. The way it limbers up a stiff joint and takes soreness out of strained or rheumatic muscles is simply a wonder.

If you have an ache or a pain anywhere, if you have a sore back, a stiff neck, a stiff joint, a strained muscle—if you have lumbago, congested chest or sore throat, just try Nerviline. Rub it on plentifully—it won't blister, it can't do anything but cure you quickly. The large 50c. family size bottle is the most economical, of course, but you can, from any dealer, also get the 25c. smal. size of Nerviline, the king of all pain-relieving remedies.

OLD DAMASCUS.

Mr. Hitchens Says It Is In Truth a City of Dreams.

Damascus, with its ancient sacred associations, its 48 mosques, the tomb of Saladin, and its clusters of houses, hidden in its world-famous roses and jasmine, is in truth a city of dreams.

"Why is it so fascinating?" asks Mr. Hitchens. "Why will it be for ever a delicious memory in my mind? I can scarcely tell. Two young Arab boys lean on the edge of the basin dreamily listening to the fountain, and casting sprays of jasmine upon the surface of the water. The guardian draws slowly at his narghile, as he squats on the sofa with his legs tucked under him. A blue pigeon flits under the white arch.

"The noise of the city, in the heart of which we are, does not penetrate to this place. We hear only the fountain. Who dwells in those shuttered houses, behind the fretwork of wood, behind the climbing flowers? I shall never know. No voice drops down from them, no eyes peep out. We are in a hermitage, deep surely in old Damascus, where the feet of Abraham trod."

SMITH GOT WISE.

A sore corn, he said, was bad enough, but to have it stepped on was the limit. He invested in a bottle of Putnam's Painless Corn Extractor, and now wears a happy smile. Corn is gone—enough said. Try Putnam's Extractor, 25c. at all dealers.

OFFICER'S TRAGIC DEATH.

Washed From Boat and Vanished in Shark-infested Waters.

A tragic story was told at Plymouth by the passengers who landed from the West African mail steamer Appam, concerning the death of a former Plymouthian, Lieut. Gerald Arthur Edwin Denny, of the Connaught Rangers. He was coming home on sick leave, and would have been married during his stay in England.

He was a passenger on the Appam from Forcados, and on arrival at Lagos Roads, C. Partridge, a district commander, decided to go ashore to pay his respects to the Governor. Lieut. Denny availed himself of the opportunity of going ashore as well.

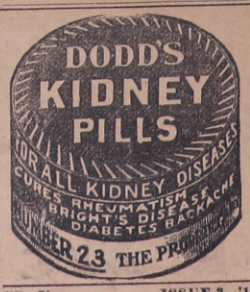
The Government steam lifeboat came off to the liner, but on her way to the shore was swamped on the bar. Capt. Wilcox, who was in charge of the boat, was washed in and out of the lifeboat twice, and Mr. Partridge was rescued in an almost unconscious condition by a native.

Mr. Denny was seen about twenty yards away struggling in the water, but he disappeared before anyone could reach him. It is feared that a shark seized him, as the waters are infested with them. The body was not recovered.

Those Japs

Mr. Newrich (reading a newspaper heading)—Japanese Turn Agnostics.

Mrs. Newrich—Isn't it wonderful what those Japanese acrobats can do!



TO FRIGHTEN BURGLARS.

Powder Which Explodes When Trodden Upon.

Here is a most ingenious method of making a house burglar-proof. It is the idea of a French chemist, who submitted it to the laboratory of La Nature, where it was tested and found to work according to specification. It consists in sprinkling upon the floor of the hall or vestibule a powder that will explode as soon as it is stepped upon, even if the intruder be shod with felt.

A very little powdered iodine is dusted over the floor. Ammonia is sprinkled over it in quantity sufficient to moisten the powder. This evaporates quickly and leaves a new substance, iodine nitrate, which will explode or detonate at the slightest touch. A rat running across the floor will set up a series of tiny explosions that will scare it into seven fits. A burglar treading on it will think he is walking over bunches of firecrackers. The noise will arouse the house.

This novel burglar preventative should not be used on parquet floors, as it may injure them, but it is ideal for use upon stone, concrete or tiled floors.

Will Quickly Cure Any Sour Stomach

Relieves Fullness After Meals.

"When I was working around the farm last winter, I had an attack of inflammation," writes Mr. E. P. Dawkins, of Port Richmond. "I was weak for a long time, but well enough to work until spring. But something went wrong with my bowels, for I had to use salts or physic all the time. My stomach kept sour, and always after eating there was pain and fulness, and all the symptoms of intestinal indigestion. Nothing helped me until I used Dr. Hamilton's Pills. Instead of hurting, like other pills, they acted very mildly, and seemed to heal the bowels. I did not require large doses to get results with Dr. Hamilton's Pills, and feel so glad that I have found a mild yet certain remedy. To-day I am well—no pain, no sour stomach, a good appetite, able to digest anything. This is a whole lot of good for one medicine to do, and I can say Dr. Hamilton's Pills are the best pills, and my letter, I am sure, proves it."

Refuse a substitute for Dr. Hamilton's Pills of Mandrake and Butternut, sold in yellow boxes, 25c. All dealers, or The Catarrhozone Co., Kingston, Ont.

Unexplored Territory.

"I made a lucky discovery today," said the first physician.

"That so?"

"Yes, I discovered a patient that has never been operated on for anything."

"Money is man's best friend," says a writer. Unfortunately even the best of friends must part.

ZAM-BUK

MRS. A. SAICH, of Cannington Manor, Sask., Writes:—"My brother suffered severely from eczema. The sores were very extensive, and burned like coals into his flesh. Zam-Buk took out all the fire, and quickly gave him ease. Within three weeks of commencing with Zam-Buk treatment, every sore had been cured."

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THE GRIMM MFG. CO., LIMITED
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"How are those two young men who went into partnership as dentists getting on?"

"Rather badly. Somehow they don't seem to pull together."

Minard's Liniment Cures Garget in Cows.

The late hours kept by boys and girls nowadays was being discussed. "Yes," said Mrs. Newlywed, "I suppose they acquire the habit while they are babies!"

Minard's Liniment Cures Diphtheria.

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ON THE OCEAN FRONT.
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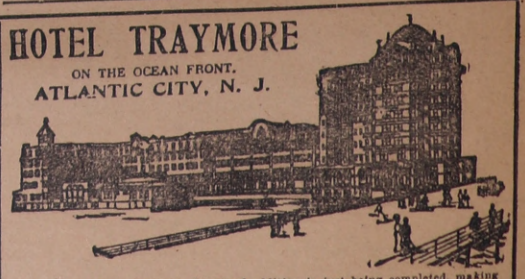

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Just a word af THANKS to our many Customers and Friends in Stirling and surrounding Country we desire to convey to you one and all our very kind Appreciation of Your Support in the past nine months, and wish you all a very happy and prosperous New Year. Coming into your town practically a stranger, I have every reason to feel proud of the patronage extended to me, and I feel I can attribute it to the fact that the people of Sterling and the country surrounding it are wide awake business people and are not slow to appreciate the fact of what a real up-to-date business store means in their town, and you can rest assnred I am here to serve you to the best of my ability at all times.

As we start to take Stock on the first day of February

and needing room for our NEW SPRING STOCK which will soon begin to arrive. We are going to give a

Grand Burst of Specials. Starting Saturday January 10

Great Sweeping Price Reductions on Ladies Coats and Suits

25 Ladies Coats in Tweeds, Checks, Diagonal cords and Blanket cloth. Regular $15. your choice while they last $ 6.98.

20 Ladies Coats some as high as $25. your choice of this lot for $8.98. All these Coats are of the latest styles and patterns.

2 Persian Lamb Coats with sable collars. beautifully lined with Black Satin, 27 inches long, sizes 34 x 36, your choice for $29.00.

1 only Ladies Persian Paw Coat, 34 inches long, size 36 regular $ 45. to clear at $26.50.

1 Ladies Fur lined Coat, shell of fine Black cloth sable collar, tailor made size 36 x 52 regular $65. for 50.

1 Ladies Fur lined Coat, shell of fine Brown cloth sable collar, size 38 x 50 regular 45 for $34. 50.

14 Ladies white all wool Sweaters, ranging in price from 1.75 to $3., odd ones slightly soiled clearing the lot at $1.00.

25 Ladies Sweaters in Cardinal, Blue, Tan and Red, odd ones as high as $3.25 they all go at $1.25.

22 Ladies Suits, regular $16.50 to $20.00 your choice while they last for $12.00 per suit. These suits are all handsomely tailor made coats beautifully satin lined. Sad to see them going at these prices, but we must have the room for Spring Stock.

45 Ladies Fur Stoles, Throws, Collars in Mink Marmot, Grey Squirrel, opposum, Grey Lamb, Persian Pow and Sable. Some are broken sets, clearing the lot at 25 per cent discount.

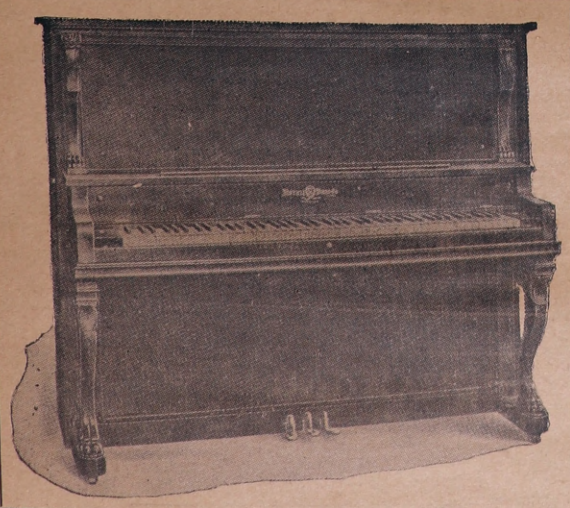
4 only Dinner Sets, Austrain China nice designs, unfortunately some of the pieces in these sets got broken, the knife goes in deep here and we are going to clear them up for $5.98 regularly sold for $15.00, only a cup or two short in some sets.

As Space will not permit, might say that Bargains will be found through every department.

Remember this Sale Starts on the 10th and Ends on the 31st Both Days Inclusive!

The Grand Piano Contest!

GET IN THE GAME



SAVE YOUR COUPONS

Great Enthusiasm is shown in this Contest as the time of closing draws nearer. On and after the 10th we are going to issue Trade Certificates to our Contestants, and for every Five dollar certificate purchased we will give 25000 votes on the Piano .Also for every dollar paid on account from the 10th to the 31st inclusive we will give 5000 votes.

Always bear in mind this fact, that while we are giving away absolutely free, a Gerard Heintzman Piano to the holder of the most votes at the end of the contest. No Individual or contestant is paying a fraction of a cent more for their goods purchased. Test it

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$18.99 cash

1 Only Ladies Musk Rat Coat

$57.65 cash

FRED. T. WARD

MEN'S WEAR SPECIALIST

The Women's Institute of Wellmans Corners held their regular meeting at the home of Mrs F. C. Snarr's on the evening of Jan. 15th, about eighty-five present. The evening passed away very quickly. Topic was given by Miss Zel'a Snarr entitled "Our Future Years". Several songs, Instrumental readings and recitations were given. Our school teacher Mr Fletcher introduced the subject "Medical Inspection of Schools. Miss E. Rannie read a very interesting letter written to our Institute by Mrs Mary Graham of Belleville, it was enjoyed by all as Mrs Graham has been a member of our Institute for years. Her motto was always for good. We are only pleased to hear from her at any time. Next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs Charlie Dracup Feb, 19th. Miss Sina Johnston to give the Topic. Every Body Welcome.

The Colonial Office has formed North and South Nigeria into one State under the administration of Sir Frederick Lugard, who will have in his charge 17,000,000 people. On the occasion of the amalgamation he received a cable from the King requesting him to convey to the emirs, chiefs and inhabitants of the new colony his hopes for their future welfare.

FOLLOW THE CROWD TO OUR BIG SALE

20 TO 50 Per Cent DISCOUNT

OFF EVERYTHING Grey & White Cotton AND GROCERIES ONLY EXCEPTED

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See Circulars For a More Complete mention of our Tempting Offerings.

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Brand New. Latest Spring 1914 Styles in Blouses, Gowns, Skirts, Princess Slips, Drawers, Corset Covers and Embroideries of every description. All of these at Special Prices. Lower than ever offered before.

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Each maturing son and daughter should have a personal Savings Account in the **Union Bank of Canada,** with opportunities to save regularly, and training in how to expend money wisely. Such an education in thrift and saving will prove invaluable in later life.

Stirling Branch, —W. S. MARTIN,— Manager.
Peterboro South End Branch;- D. C. MacRostie, Mgr.
BRANCH ALSO AT SPRING BROOK

Sidney Council

Town Hall Sidney, Mon. Jan. 12 1914.
The following persons, (by acclamation) filed their declarations of Qualification, and declarations of Office with the Clerk and took their seats in Council.

Chas. Ketcheson — Reeve
Chas. H. Vanderwater — Deputy Reeve
Geo. A. Rose — Councillor
Chas. H. Meyers "
Harry L. Ketcheson "

A letter was read from the Canadian Surety Co. Toronto re. & Officers Bonds
Ordered received & filed.

A letter from Mr. S. Howell, Mgr. Molsons Bank Frankford, requesting a continuance of the Township account for 1914.

Moved by Mr. Chas. H. Vanderwater
Secd. by Mr. Chas. H. Meyers,
That the Township account be left with the Molsons Bank, Frankford for 1914. Carried.

The following By-Laws were passed through their various stages signed sealed, and numbered 648; 649; & 650, respectively.

A By-Law appointing a Medical Health & Sanitary Inspectors to fix their salaries, also appointing members of the Local Board of Health. (Dr. H. V. Malone, M. O. H. Wm. H. Weese, Sanitary Inspector, Wm. Guffin, Member of B. of H.

A By-Law appointing Township Assessors. (Frank Spafford and Thos. H. Ketcheson, Assessors.)

A By-Law appointing Township Auditors.

Moved by Mr. Harry L. Ketcheson,
Secd. by Chas. H. Vanderwater,
That the Municipal World be paid $5.75 for 7 Subscriptions for 1914, and that Mr. John Kierman be paid $1.00 for rent of spring for 1914. Carried.

Moved by Chas. B. Meyers
Secd. by Harry L. Ketcheson,
That the Treasurer be and is hereby authorized to advance the Road Superintendent, Three Hundred Dollars($300.00) for Road purposes. Carried.

Moved by Chas. H. Vanderwater
Secd. by Chas. B. Meyers,
That the Reeve and Mr. George A. Rose be a delegation to the Ontario Good Roads Association at Toronto. Carried.

Moved by Mr. C. B. Meyers
Secd. by Harry L. Ketcheson,
That Council now adjourn until Monday March 30th at 10 A. M. Carried.

A. M. Chapman
Township Clerk.

LIFE FOLLOWETH DEATH.

In loving memory of our late brother, Milton Cameron Elliott who passed into the life beyond on January 6th 1914.

Our brother has died and left us alone;
Our brother has gone from here,
To dwell in a land which to us is unknown
Where none but the saints doth appear.
A few more years our life shall pass by,
A few more seasons shall come,
And we shall be with our brother who rests
Asleep within the tomb.
Why weep dear friends for an unlost soul
For a soul which has gone on high?
For to-morrow our soul shall be wafted too
Far above this earth and sky.
A warning our God has given to us
By taking our brother away,
Then, O our dear Lord, prepare for us now
Our souls for that great day.
He fashioned that life in righteous array,
With no fears, his soul to dismay:
He clothed it in robes of spotless white
To free his soul from decay.
God made that life as a model for us,
To keep our footsteps true,
To guide us on our weary way,
And in all things we do.
From this we learn, that to die is not death,
Although it seems to us so
Its just a mere milestone passed on the path
Where along our Saviour did go.
We learn that it is not death to close
The eye, long dimmed by tears,
But rather we find, we awake in repose
To spend eternal years.
So take comfort, christians, when your friends
In Jesus fall asleep;
For their better being never ends;
Why then dejected weep?
And why inconsolale, as those
To whom no hope is given;
Death is the messenger of peace,
And calls the soul to heaven.
As our Saviour did die and rose again
Victorious from the dead,
So our dear brother shall rise and reign
With his triumphant head.
The time draws nigh, when from the clouds
Christ shall with shouts descend,
And the last trumpet's awful voice
The heavens and earth shall rend.
Then they who live shall changed be,
And they who sleep shall wake;
The graves shall yield their ancient charge,
And earth's foundations shake.
A few short years of this life past,
We reach the happy shore
Where death-divided friends at last
Shall meet to part no more.

Edgar W. Matthews
Queens University.

A very pretty but quiet wedding took place on New Years Eve at the home of Mr and Mrs A. Bennett, when Miss Vita M. Bailey was united in holy matrimony to Mr Lewis C. Locke of Creelman. The ceremony was performed by Rev. H. Godfrey, Methodist minister of Creelman. The event proper was the wedding anniversary of the host and hostess, sister of the groom. The house was prettily decorated for the occasion. Just as the clock tolled out the last hour of the old year the happy couple took their place beneath an arch of holly and Xmas bells, while Mrs Bennett played very effectively the Bridal march, "Lohengren". The usual toasts were proposed and speeches made after which all partook of a dainty wedding breakfast.

The grooms gift to the bride was a necklace of pearls and from each of the parents a liberal check. The bride is the eldest daughter of Mr A. H. Bailey of Appanrose Farm Stirling Ont. in which town she received her H. S. Education. Her teaching career has been marked with a very reasonable amount of success especially in Montreal where she received vocal training. The groom is descended from the old family of Locke's and was born in Lockeport N. S. though his home for many years previous to coming West was in Boston U. S. Mr and Mrs Locke will reside temporarily in Creelman where Mr Locke is engaged in the implement business.

Among those present were Mr and Mrs Godfrey, Mr and Mrs Wilber Manager of the Bank of N. S. Dr. and Mrs Kirkpatrick, Mr and Mrs Henry Locke, Mr Shirley Locke and Mr and Mrs S. R. Carrothers.

The happy couple left on the early train for Regina with the heartiest good wishes of every one.

Spring Brook

Rev. R. Mc Cullough, a former pastor, now superannuated, preached here last Sunday afternoon and evening to crowded congregations.

The boys have fixed up a shooting galary in P. Welch's back shop. It may not be very educative, but they take a lot of enjoyment out of it, and it keeps them out of other mischief.

A Robin undertook to winter in the Village, but during the cold spell last week it froze to death. It takes a pretty tough piece of flesh to winter in Spring Brook.

P. S. Some of the prayers sent up from this world apparently get on the wrong line and received at the wrong office in the other,- they seem to be answered by the devil.

Servia is trying to float a $50.000.000 loan upon the Paris money market. The loan at 5 per cent will be guaranteed by Servian Government monopolies. The issue price has not yet been made known.

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HOME

Tested Recipes.

Banana Salad.—Cut bananas in cubes and dress with French dressing, then put back in skin. Chop parsley and nuts together and sprinkle over it and serve on lettuce leaf.

Rice and Apples.—One cup of rice and five large cooking apples. Wash the rice well in several waters, pare and slice the apples; cover with water. When boiled sweeten to taste. Eat with cream. To make it look nice whip the whites of two eggs, sweeten, cover the dish, brown in the oven for a minute, take out, and put drops of current jelly on top.

Cranberry Conserve.—Four cups cranberries, four cups granulated sugar, four cups water, one cup seeded raisins, one cup English walnut meats, broken in small bits, one orange and one lemon cut in small pieces. Mix ingredients and cook until it thickens, then pour into jelly-glasses. Cover with paraffin.

King's Jam.—Four pounds of grapes, two pounds of sugar, three-quarters pound of raisins, one-quarter pound of English walnut kernels, pulp of two oranges, one-half pound of figs, seed grapes, cut nuts and figs in small pieces, stir all together and cook until thick. Put away in glasses. This is a delicious conserve.

Nesslerode Pudding. — One cup whipped cream, one-half cup pulverized sugar, one tablespoon gelatin, one cup chopped candied cherries, pineapple, and English walnuts. Dissolve the gelatin in one-third cup hot water and mix all lightly together. Flavor with vanilla and pour into mold and stand on ice for several hours. Serve with whipped cream.

Dormers.—There is a good way of using up scraps of cold meat. Boil three ounces of rice in salted water until tender. Drain. Mix with half a pound of minced cold meat and two ounces of well-chopped suet. Add chopped parsley, salt and pepper to season. Form into little rolls, dip in beaten egg, sprinkle with bread crumbs, and fry in boiling fat to a golden brown.

Duchess Potatoes.—Select smooth, flat potatoes of medium size. Scour thoroughly. Bake in a hot oven. Pierce the potato with a fork to let out the steam, work it with the fingers till the inside is soft and mealy. Cut an opening in the flat top and scoop out the potato. Season with salt and pepper, and butter and milk, beat, return to the shell heaping up lightly. Smear the top of the mashed potato with melted butter, return to the oven and leave until the surface is golden brown. This makes an excellent dish for lunch or supper.

Cabbage.—Cut a small head in four parts, soak for one-half hour in salt water to draw out any insects which may be in leaves. Drain, cut in slices, put into a large quantity of boiling water. Add one tablespoon salt and cook twenty-five to forty-five minutes, depending on the age of the cabbage. Drain in a colander two minutes, chop fine, season with butter, pepper, salt. Allow one tablespoon butter to a pint of the cooked vegetables. Cabbage cooked in this manner will be of delicate flavor, and may be generally eaten without distress.

Fish Chowder.—Two pounds fish (haddock, cod or a whitefish), two cups potatoes cut in cubes, one-half onion sliced, one-inch cube fat salt pork, one-half tablespoon salt, one and one-half tablespoons butter, one tablespoon flour, two cups milk. Remove head and tail of fish, boil fish in one pint salted water for twenty minutes, add potatoes five minutes before removing from fire; remove skin and bones of fish, saving water. Cut salt pork and onion in small pieces and fry five minutes, strain fat into fish and potato stew. May add onions if wished. Make a white sauce of butter, flour and milk, and add to stew. Season with salt and pepper, and add broken crackers, if desired.

Hints for the Home.

When making a cake always mix the spices and baking powder with the flour before it is sifted.

A good black ink mixed with the white of egg will restore the color of black kid shoes or gloves.

A little alum added to the water in which children's clothes are washed will render them fireproof.

To prevent carpet from ravelling when cut run two rows of machine stitching where it is to be cut.

To whiten cloths which have become yellow soak in buttermilk for one week, then wash in the usual way.

Rice may be substituted for maccaroni as a dinner dish. Prepare it with grated cheese and bake it in the oven.

A few drops of ammonia in the water in which silver is washed will keep it bright for a long time without cleaning.

When a window is difficult to raise pour a little melted lard between the frame and the casting, and put a little, also, on the cord.

To remove a fishbone from the throat cut a lemon in half and suck the juice very slowly. This will dissolve the fishbone, and give instant relief.

To distinguish cotton from linen moisten a spot of the material. If the material wets through instantly it is pure linen; cotton does not take up moisture so quickly.

Black walnut furniture or furniture made of any dark rich wood should be cleaned occasionally with a soft rag dipped in paraffine oil, then polished with another soft rag.

There is always a cause for a flickering kerosene oil light. Either the top is clogged, the wick or chimney is a misfit or a draught of wind may be blowing into the room.

To clean velvet stretch it taut, pile upward, over a basin of boiling water. As the steam rises through the velvet have a second person brush it briskly with a clean brush.

When the eyes ache relieve them by closing them for a few minutes. If there is a burning sensation bathe them with hot water to which a few drops of witch hazel has been added.

To test silk, fray out the threads and break them. If they snap easily, it is not good. The warp thread running lengthwise should be of equal strength with the wool thread running crosswise.

When frying doughnuts it is a good idea to have a dish of boiling water on the stove. As each cake is done, lift it out with a fork and dash it quickly into the boiling water and out again.

If your kitchen is small and crowded, take out the kitchen table and have a hinged shelf made. A shelf answers every purpose of a table and can be put down out of the way when not in use.

An ordinary pie-chimney placed in the centre of a pan of milk prevents it boiling over. When it commences to boil it does so through the little chimney, and there is not the slightest chance of its boiling over.

For a bad throat put some glycerine on cotton wool. Put it on the front of the throat, then a piece of flannel on. There is nothing better than glycerine poultice.

To flower pansies in the house, sow the seed in shallow boxes of sandy soil. When they are rooted, transplant them to window boxes or separate pots. Keep them quite warm, give them abundance of water and a great deal of sun.

When darning table linen it is best to use a ravelling from the goods. Where there is a hole, put under it a piece of the same material, carefully matching the pattern. If the darning is carefully done the hole will not be noticeable.

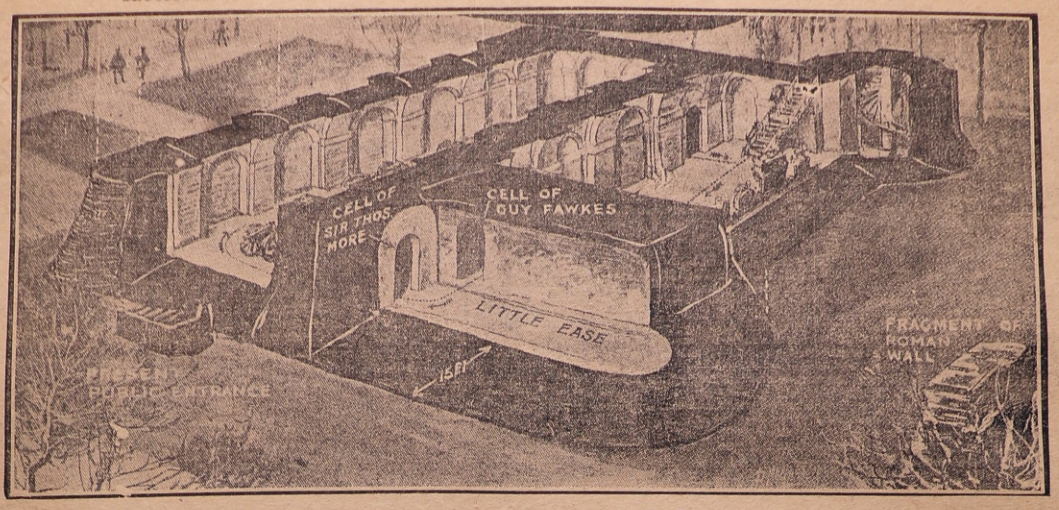
Cream alpaca is a splendid wearing material for blouses, children's dresses, etc., and always looks well. Most women object to make it up, as it is so springy and won't lie down nicely. To prevent this, when cutting out a garment place the selvedge across the width instead of the length. You will find it makes up beautiful in this way.

When creamed potatoes are being prepared you will boil them, to get cold, and then slice them, sprinkling them well with flour. Add some milk (much or little, according to the quantity of potato), and stir them over the stove in the stewpan. It will become a soft creamy consistency, and all it needs when done is a seasoning of salt and pepper.

"There's a great art," an Irishman once declared, "in knowing what not to know whin yez don't want to know it."

The microbe never worries the man who is not aware of its existence.

SECTIONAL VIEW SHOWING THE POSITIONS OF DUNGEONS AND PARTS OF THE WHITE TOWER.



Public May Penetrate New Parts of the Tower.

Further portions of the Tower of London are to be opened to the general public. The portion which is shortly to be thrown open is chiefly the basement section of the Tower, which consists of three large rooms separated by enormously thick walls. This basement portion contains the cell of Guy Fawkes and also the little space in which Sir Thomas Moore was confined. Both these will form entrances to the Little Ease, the famous dungeon in which Jewish money-lenders and others were confined at times in the Middle Ages. The two large apartments which at present contain guns, were possibly occasionally used as torture rooms, but they were not regularly used for this purpose. The upper portion of the Tower has been elevated in the above drawing in order to show the disposition of the lower rooms. The positions of the cell of Sir Walter Raleigh, the chapel crypt, the chapel of St. John, and the various armories are also indicated. The present public entrance is shown on the extreme left.

VOODOO TO BE LOCKED INTO

TRIAL IN CUBA MAY REVEAL FACTS ABOUT CULT.

Traveller Tells of His Experience With the Society In Africa.

A returned traveller, P. Amaury Talbot, is telling the English press that he found in the Eket district of Africa, hitherto unexplored, customs and ceremonies which have come down unchanged from the days of the Pharaohs. He is an official, a district commissioner in Southern Nigeria. The "Devil" doctors of Samoa are being fought by Surgeon-General Stokes, of the United States navy, through clinics, and publicity in schools, and in the native press. A court of justice has recently acquitted a Jew charged by due process of Russian law with having officiated at the ritualistic murder of a Christian boy. Charges of like character, it will be remembered, have been made against the Jews for more than a thousand years, and were made in Rome against the followers of the Nazarene before Christianity became the State religion of the empire. If these isolated facts be accepted as establishing the persistence of religious ideas or superstitions and the difficulties of arriving at the truth regarding them, one may be prepared to admit the sporadic reappearance of serpent worship, traces of which are to be found in the history of nearly every people, and in every quarter of the globe.

Arrest of Doctors.

The proof may not be possible that an organized cult exists for the worship of the serpent in these days, but in Cuba several Voodoo doctors are under arrest charged with many crimes, and with having terrorized a large area, aided and abetted by political leaders. Perhaps the truth about Voodoo may be established in Cuba as the truth about Judaistic human sacrifice was established in Russia. It may appear that Voodooism is purely imaginary. Meantime, the investigator is met at every turn with the impossibility of penetrating with certainty the inner tenets of any secret society.

Referring to the hard task of the African Governments in dealing with societies which, "at certain times of the year, still seek to offer human sacrifices," P. Amaury Talbot says:

Children Ill-treated.

"Toward the end of September such an attempt was made by a group of towns in a distant part of the district, never before visited by Europeans. My attention was first drawn to this particular society, which bears the dread name of 'Ekkpo Njawhaw' (Ghosts—the Destroyers), by a poor woman, who brought some fragments of charred bone, which she asserted was all that was left to her of an only brother who had fallen a victim to the vengeance of one of the chiefs of the society.

"A little later complaints began to come in from missionaries as to cruel maltreatment of school children and other converts peacefully proceeding on their way to church. Later I discovered that a little girl seven years old was only rescued with great difficulty from being offered up, after the sacrificial dress had been placed upon her, while the great drum was beaten and the head priest announced 'Ekkpo njawhaw will eat to-day.' It speaks volumes for the courage of the Christians, many of them mere boys, that they dared wrest her from the clutches of this dreadful society at the cost, in several instances, of severe wounds. Court messengers were sent to summon before me those responsible for the outrages, but the unfortunate emissaries were seized, beaten and sent back with the message that further attempts to interfere with the society would be punished by the death of the messenger, or myself, should I venture thither.

"A sudden visit, however, planned with great secrecy, found them unprepared. The inhabitants concerned went into hiding, or set forth to summon help from confederate towns. Word was left that all had gone to a 'far country,' but a simple stratagem brought them tumbling back, and the expression on their faces was comical in the extreme when they discovered that the summons to return, beaten out in drum language, had been dictated by the white man. Faced by the unexpected, the guilty parties were persuaded to submit to trial."

Origin of the Word.

Even the origin of the word Voodoo is shrouded in mystery. The textbooks say it was applied by the French on their first encounter with the cult, because the Vaudois, a people of France, "were much given to heresy, therefore to the Black Art"; but among the Guinea tribes "Vodun" was the name of the all-powerful snake, call Dahnghi in other parts of Africa, and the natives of Guinea were easy victims to the slave traders who supplied the planters of the West. Open worship of the serpent persisted, as we shall soon see, longer in Africa than in any part of the world, but traces of this malign deity influence the folklore, if not the religion, of nearly all humanity.

Though after the temptation of Eve the serpent was condemned to crawl, it reappeared as a symbol of power in later Jewish history. During the wanderings of the children of Israel through the wilderness the Lord sent fiery serpents to afflict a rebellious people already suffering from famine and drought. When, at the intercession of Moses, the were forgiven, the great leader was commanded to fashion a serpent of brass and place it on a pole, "and it came to pass that if a serpent had bitten any man, when he beheld the serpent of brass he lived."

The serpent was among the gods of the Land of Egypt, whence Moses led his people, and they found it among the gods of the land they were to subdue. Cadmus, the Phoenician who invented letters, became a serpent.

The Tribes of Central Australia,

the most primitive people in contact with modern civilization, have in a mythical serpent of gigantic size and magical attributes their nearest approach to a deity.

The African has been content with his nature gods, though in contact with those of Greece and Rome, and it is only within recent years that he has been greatly influenced by either Islam or the Cross. If the beauty, the graceful sinuosity, the mystery of the serpent have appealed to the primitive folk of all the world, how much more powerful must be the effect on the people of Africa, where it attains a size, a formidable character elsewhere unknown save in the valley of the Amazon

But while the secret societies ramifying throughout Africa to-day may defy the skill of British official investigators, serpent worship as practised in Dahomey half a century ago is a matter of record. Natives of Whydah held an annual procession in honor of the serpent until 1857-8, when the ceremony was suppressed by European influence.

People were forbidden to look out from the houses while the procession was passing under penalty of death, and it was said that some Europeans who proved too curious regarding the rites performed were poisoned. According to the Dahomey cult the serpent conferred vision on the first human pair who came into the world blind. The natives venerated the serpent as the God of Wisdom and the God of Earthly Bliss, who ruled the productiveness of plants and animals as well as of mankind. They called the serpent "master, father, mother, benefactor," and offered both men and women as sacrifices.

Young Girls Were Set Apart

as the wives and priestesses of the great python, and both priests and priestesses officiated in his honor. This description is in perfect accord with the hearsay narratives of Voodoo practices in America, for it is well to confess that no account of the Voodoo cult either in this country, Cuba, or Haiti is more than hearsay.

Lafacadio Hearn, a trained observer with more than average talent for taking on the color of his environment and expressing the inner consciousness of strange peoples, failed to obtain an authentic account of Voodooism either in the West Indies or in Louisiana.

A Catholic priest told a recent investigator in the Republic of Haiti that he could affirm "without violating the secrets of the confessional that during his years of service he had heard the avowal from his penitents of the most frightful crimes conceivable, but that never had a black man admitted to him that he knew anything of Voodoo."

There seems to be no reason for doubting, however, that the colored people brought with them from Africa serpent worship and the practice of Voodoo, just as the Puritans brought from Europe belief in witchcraft and in drowning as a sovereign remedy for the evil. It may be that some lingering trace of both superstitions taint the descendants of both races of early settlers.

Had Heard of Burbank.

Brown (to his neighbor Jones)—He says he's experimenting with a vegetable which will bring him in thousands of dollars.

Jones—What is it?

Brown—He's trying to rear an onion with a violet scent.

Much Worse.

"What's the matter?"

"My wife found a letter in my pocket."

"I see. One you had forgotten to mail."

"No; one I had forgotten to burn."

A man who had been absent for a considerable time, and who during his travels had cultivated a great crop of whiskers and moustaches, visited a relative whose little girl had been his special favorite. The little girl made no offer to salute him with the usual kiss. "Why, child," said the mother, "don't you give your old friend a kiss?" "Mother," answered the child, "I don't see any place."

DIED AND LIVED AGAIN.

His Other Self Detached From the Earthly Body.

John C. Wheeler, now in his 72nd year, and living in Ivanrest, Mich., has a notable history. He experienced the sensation of dying and says it was delightful; he has spent 40 years of his life walking from place to place delivering lectures, accepting only food and clothing as recompense; he gives all the money he receives to charity and lives on the charity of his friends; he looks like Alexander Dowie and John Burroughs, and has often been mistaken for one or the other of them; he walks fourteen miles daily to get reading matter in the public library; he believes in reincarnation and says he is not a fanatic.

"I believe I have had the most wonderful experience of any human being living," he said. "I have practically died and lived again. Not long after graduation I was swimming with a number of companions when I suddenly went down. It was several minutes before my friends missed me, and when they finally located my body I was unconscious. A doctor was summoned from half a mile away, and when he arrived he pronounced me dead. I was taken to my boarding-house and another doctor who lived a mile away was sent for. He, too, pronounced me dead.

"While the fact that I regained consciousness after so many hours is not so remarkable, it is remarkable that while apparently dead I was never more fully alive in my life. But I was a part distinct from my body. I could tell the persons about me everything that happened while I lay unable to move. During those hours I discovered many things. Much was revealed to me that would sound preposterous to relate. But the one thing I do remember is the queer sensation of dying.

"Dying is delightful; of that I am sure. After losing consciousness my body, I am told, sank to the bottom of the lake, but the other self seemed to float away from my body and soar above the water. I looked down and could see my body. I saw the rescuers find it, and place it on the bank. I then seemed to return to the fleshy prison and again become a part of it, but was incapable of giving it volition. I exerted all my strength, but could cause no movement of the muscles. Finally, I seemed to secure a firmer grasp on things, and almost instantly regained consciousness. In that fleeting moment between the conscious and the unconscious state the thought of returning to life was repugnant. It seemed like a return to prison after a tour of the outside.

"Prior to that experience I had been an agnostic, disbelieving in a hereafter or a spiritual state of existence, but now my whole point of view of life changed. I have never since doubted the spiritual existence. A man is double, and the body is not a part of him. I don't want to be classed as a Spiritualist; in fact, don't care to be labeled at all, although theosophy comes nearest to my belief. I believe in a reincarnation, and that death simply turns a man inside out."

UNIQUE GOLD COIN.

Recently Purchased by the British Museum.

A unique gold coin has just been purchased by the trustees of the British Museum with the assistance of some private subscribers. It is the only known example of the gold coinage of the Anglo-Saxon King Offa (A. D. 757-796), the most celebrated of all the Mercian princes, the friend of Charlemagne and the recipient of many presents from that Emperor.

The coin is remarkable not only on account of its uniqueness and of the fact that it is the earliest gold coin that can be definitely ascribed to any English king, but also because, although it was struck by a Christian king, it bears a Mohammedan inscription in Arabic. At the time of the issuing of the coin the Arabic dinar formed a large part of the gold currency of Europe and it is believed that it was for this reason that Offa caused an exact imitation of an existing Arabic coin to be made for his own use.

The coin is in a very fine state of preservation. The existence of this specimen has been known since 1841. It was obtained in Rome by the late Duc de Blacas, but from 1841 till 1907 nothing was known of its whereabouts.

Before marriage a man has a theory about managing a wife, but after marriage he discovers that it is a fact and not a theory that confronts him

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When Sir John Millais was painting "Chill October," among the reeds and rushes of the Tay one afternoon a voice from behind a hedge asked, "Man, did you ever try photography?" "No, never," said Sir John, and he continued to paint slowly. "It's a hantle quicker," said the voice. "Yes, I suppose so," the painter agreed. Then the voice said bitingly, "An' it's mair like the place."

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The Womens Institute of Wellmans Corners had a very successful concert in the Orange Hall Jan. 9th the Hall being crowded. Two able addresses were given by Mr Martin Manager of of the Union Bank of Stirling also Mr Robert Cook M. P. Miss Tuite of Albert College entertained, her selections were well worth listening to. Everyone enjoyed the treat. Solos were given by Miss E. Meiklejohn of Campbellford, Miss Nora Bailey of Toronto, Mr Murray Meiklejohn of Rylestone and Mr M. Sine of Sine. Our young people gave the chorus'es and Miss McPherson s scholars a drill. The proceeds amounted to $45.00.

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'Always a "Next" in New York.'

It may be pure fancy, but many feel as in no other spot that the planet upon whose crust we move and have our being revolves faster under New York.

The tumult and alarums of the day are more exciting than a cycle in Cathay—or Paris, or London.

Vitality is at its hottest. We are like a colony of ants disturbed by a stranger. We are caught in eddies and whirlpools and on edges of foaming breakers; we are dumped on densely populated sands. A national mill seizes the newly landed immigrant and like a sausage-making machine turns him into a citizen. But it first washes his face:

Of course, it is money New Yorkers are after, that mercenary madness reproved by Europeans, though indulged in by them on their arrival here—also on our arrival in Europe. New York is the note dynamic in the world's concert, perhaps too much brass and cymbals for the balance of the orchestra. But overtones count. It may be the fault of the climate, and perhaps the fault of the millions of people ceded us so freely by Europe; yet the city has a soul. The bite of the salt air is responsible for our too responsive nerves; sun-bathed half the year, our very thoughts are coloured by the sun. We may have too much temperament. We are more optimistic than London or Paris; optimism is our national vice.

As in Paris or London, you may step aside here from any of the main-travelled high-ways and soon become lost; worse, you are forgotten. We have not much time for social intercourse—remember, we speak of the majority. Individuality is gained, but at the loss of many desirable things,

That is an old joke, though more fact than fiction, about New Yorkers living in the same apartment house and uot discovering until years afterwards that they are old friends, There is little leisure to cultivate the minor graces. We fly at our music, at our theatres and pictures as we fly after a tip on our stocks. We bolt new ideas and invent new religions every season to match the gowns and hats of our wives.

We swallow Beethoven and cry, 'What next?' Wagner is speedily engulfed and we cry for Richard Strauss. After he is gone we try French and Italian sweetmeats. Ibsen is an old story, Maeterlinck a mere fable. Debussy begins to tire. What next? There must always be a 'next' in New York.

A Force Driving Us On.

We want a religion. Perhaps we are waiting for a new one. We'd plunge into life, into usefulness, if only we knew what life were; but we don't know.

We desire to know. These words express the dominant yearning of the age. Whither shall we turn for a religion, a sanction, a guide to life? And thus we start off on our modern Pilgrim's Progress, to seek after God, if haply we may find him.

Having Our Thinking Done For Us.

It is a curious fact that there are some who look with longing eyes at the church which still stands for external, or what may be called supernatural authority. "What a comfort' such weary souls exclaim, "to be able to have life solved for one in this simple fashion, to accept the teachings of a church which still claims in a special sense to be the guardian of the keys of heaven itself, to stop this buzzing in our heads, this attempting to think for ourselves! But we find we can't enter such a church. Perhaps we do not grasp at once the significance of this fact. It is only after a little that the reason becomes plain.

We look around us, and we perceive at length that "every institution in our modern government, every discovery in our modern science, from the telegraph which encircles the globe to the cure and prevention of disease, has been accomplished against the principle for which that church still stands, the principle of having our thinking done for us."

It is of no avail to say that the world is no better for these discoveries. That would be to deny God's revelation. We see that this imposed authority would forbid us, in the most sacred department of life, to think for ourselves, while we are at the same time citizens of a government whose very existence depends on our thinking for ourselves. Behind every form of government ever devised under the sun there is a form of religion which fits it and inspires it. Despotism had its religion of superstition and fear; democracy has its religion of universal education and of individual responsibility, which means that there must be no organization or itermediary between ourselves and our God. If we don't believe in democracy, we shall have difficulty in finding for ourselves a country in God's world as He is shaping it to-day.

Winston Churchill.

IT PAYS TO KNOW.

If I were selling nails or glass,
Or pills or shoes or garden sass,
Or honey from the bee—
Whatever line of goods were mine,
I'd study up that special line
And know its history.

If I a stock of rags should keep,
I'd read up sundry books on sheep
And wool and how it grows.
Beneath my old freckled roof,
I'd store some facts on warp and woof
And other things like those.

I'd try to know a spinning jack
From patent churn or wagon rack,
A loom from hog tight fence;
And if a man came in to buy,
And asked some leading question-why
I'd answer with some sense.

And if I were a grocer man,
I'd open now and then a can
To see what stuff it held;
"Twere better than to writhe in woe
And make reply "I didn't know"
When some mad patron yelled.

I hate to hear a merchant say:
"I think this is splendid hay,
"I guess it's first-class tea."
He ought to know how good things are,
If he would sell his silk or tar,
Or other goods to me.

Oh, knowledge is the stuff that wins;
The man without it soon begins
To get his trade in kinks.
No matter where a fellow goes,
He's valued for the things he knows,
Not for the things he thinks.

Exchange.

CIRCULATE -:- -:- $ THAT GOOD OLD At Home. Don't Send It Away to the Mail Order Man.

Harold Happenings

Mr Thos. Cranston has moved into his new home here. All welcome Mr and Mrs Cranston to our neighborhood.

Mr Earl Bailey has removed to Kingston where he has secured a lucrative position as an Implement Agent.

Mrs John Weaver of Saskatoon left on Thursday to visit her brother J. F. Potts at Portsmouth Ohio enroute for her Western home.

Mrs Walker of Owen Sound is spending the winter with her daughter Mrs D. Cotten.

Mr E. F. Ketcheson accompanied by his daughter Miss May have returned home after spending a very pleasent time visiting friends and relatives in Montreal and Quebec.

A large number from here attended the Masonic At-Home in Stirling and report a good time.

Madoc Junction

Mr and Mrs John Cooke of Sidney, visited Mrs Davis on Monday last.

Mr and Mrs Fitchett were the guests of Mr and Mrs Seymour Hamilton on Monday evening.

Mr and Mrs Geo. Bennett spent Sunday with Mr and Mrs Edward Bennett.

A merry sleigh load from Madoc spent the week end with Mr and Mrs Pollard.

Rev. E. A Tonkin occupied the pulpit here last Sabbath there will be no service next Sabbath.

Miss Minnie Barker has returned from Toronto.

Miss Elsie Eggleton spent Sunday with friends at Holloway.

Mr James Palmer of "Business College" Belleville spent Sunday with friends here.

Mr Roy Welburne and Mr Andrews both have very sick horses.

Mr Clarence Fitchett spent Sunday at Holloway.

Miss Ethel Hough spent Sunday with friends here.

Rev. E. A. and Mrs Tonkin visited friends in Stirling last Friday.

The roads here will soon be blocked, if the stormy weather does not change soon.

Dame Rumor is busy again.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

IN THE MATTER of the Estate of Annie G. Runnalls, late of the Township of Rawdon, in the County of Hastings, Married Woman, deceased.

Notice is hereby given pursuant to section No. 53, Chapter No. 26 of the Statutes of Ontario, one George 5th.

That all persons having claims against the said Annie G. Runnalls deceased, who died on or about the 27th, day of February A. D. One thousand nine hundred and ten, in the Township of Rawdon aforesaid, are required to send by post prepaid or deliver to Abraham D. Runnalls, the administrator, Harold Post Office, Ontario, or to his Solicitor as hereunder on or before the 30th, day of January A. D. One thousand nine hundred and fourteen, their names and addresses with full particulars of their claims in writing and the nature of securities, if any held by them fully verified by Statutary Declaration.

And further take notice that after said 30th, day of January, A. D. one thousand nine hundred and fourteen, the Assets of the Said Estate will be distributed by the Administrator among the parties entitled thereto having regard only to the claims which he shall then have notice and the estate will not be liable for any claims not filed at the time of said distribution.

Dated at Stirling this
30th, day of December,
1914.

G. G. Thrasher
Solicitor for Administrator.

Cheaper Fence-Posts.

As a result of the many inquiries in regard to the preservative treatment of fence-posts, the Forestry Branch, Ottawa, has now issued a circular on this subject which can be had by applying to the Director of Forestry. The various methods described of treating the posts with the preservatives are all illustrated by diagrams, and the apparatus required is simple and costs little.

The great advantage of these treatments is that they keep even cheap woods free from decay for from ten to fifteen years. Many kinds of wood found in farmers' wood-lots will last, when used as posts, only four years or thereabouts; after treatment, such as described, they last twice or three times, even four times, as long.

Creosote, which costs in Canada, from ten to twenty-five cents a gallon, is the best preservative. When boiling hot creosote is applied liberally with a brush—a paint brush or whitewash brush, for instance—to the butts of well-seasoned posts from which the bark has been removed, it sinks into the wood for a distance of about quarter of an inch. This should add at least ten years to the life of a post made from a non-durable wood, such as poplar, balsam, fir or spruce. This is not the best method, but it is the simplest and, on a small scale, probably the cheapest. Other methods require that the posts be kept covered in tanks of hot creosote for a longer or shorter period.

Besides lengthening the life of the post, the preservative treatment also tends to reduce the cost of the posts in another way, for, as cheap local woods can be used, the first cost and the cost of transportation are usually much lower than for cedar, oak or tamarack. Moreover, as posts will need to be set less often, the proportionate cost of setting the post will be less. Taking into account all the items that go to make up the cost of the post, and comparing this with the number of years it will last, it will be found in the majority of cases, to be much less for treated posts.

Obituary

Death has removed from our midst Mr. Richard Langman, in his 79th yr, at his former home in Kankakee, Ill. Mr. Langman was born in Cornwall, England, in the year 1834. He settled in the Province of Ontario Canada in 1847; moved to Elgin, Ill., in 1887 and from there to Kankakee Ill. in 1889, lived there until the spring of 1910, when he came to Griswold, Man. with his daughter Mrs. W. J. Donogh. In the spring of 1911 he came to Souris and has since made his home there. In May he left with Mrs. Donogh for a visit to their old home. Shortly after reaching there he was taken with heart failure from the effects of which he passed away on July 16th, at the home of Mrs. J. K. Otte. The funeral took place at the first M. E. Church of which he was a former member. Interment in Mound Grove Cemetery.

Seven children, three sisters and one brother remain to mourn his loss. Sisters and brothers are,—Mrs. J. Deen of Stranrace Sask; Mrs. Robert Burns of Tupperville Ont; Mrs. J. Allard of Pittsburg Penn; and Esau of Marmora Ont. The children are,—Solomon and Charles H. of Rock Island Ill. Joseph of Hamilton Ont. Mrs. W. E. Clarke, Houston Texas; Mrs. W. J. Donogh Souris Man: William J. and Mrs. J. K. Otte of Kankakee Ill.

His wife Sarah Jackman having preceded him by 19 years.

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HORACE L. SUTCLIFFE.

Intelligence has been received here of the death, at Staleybridge, Cheshire, England, on Tuesday, December 23rd, 1913, of Horace L. Sutcliffe, fourth son of Rev. Charles Sutcliffe, vicar Holy Trinity Staleybridge. The deceased young gentleman was well known in Peterborough, where for some time he was connected with the office department of the Peterborough Cordage Company. He made many friends who will learn of his early demise—at the age of 28 years, with deep regret. The late Mr. Sutcliffe was a brother of Reginald A. Sutcliffe, of Stirling, formerly of the office staff of the Canadian General Electric Company.—Peterborough Examiner.

Surprise And Presentation.

Early in the evening on Friday, Jan. 9th 1914, a goodly number of the people of Carmel and others assembled at the very quiet home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hammond and Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Wilson. The object of the meeting being to extend congratulations to our recently wedded friends Mr. and Mrs. Wilson, and to spend an evening with our aged and respected friends Mr. and Mrs. Hammond. On friends arriving from the North the number soon being augmented to over sixty, all being well supplied with well filled baskets. Smiles and good will seemed the order of the evening After congratulations and friendly greetings on the part of the friends the meeting was called to order and an address was read by Mrs. Peter McKee and presentation made by Mrs. Edwin Abbott and Mrs. D. Benedict. It is needless to say that Mr. and Mrs. Wilson were completely surprised. But after a few moments took the liberty of thanking all present for being so kindly remembered.

Our aged friends Mr. and Mrs Hammond seemed in the best of spirits and were pleased to have so many of the friends call on them. The party then betook themselves to the contents of the baskets which all seemed to enjoy. The rest of the evening was spent in social intercourse and music. After singing "God be with you till we meet again" the party broke up about 11 o'clock, all feeling pleased at the reception received, and harmony and good will prevailing.

Dated at Glen Ross
Jan. 10th 1914.

One who was there.

Glen Ross, Jan. 9th 1914.

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Wilson,—

We your friends and neighbors hope you will pardon us for the very unceremonious way in which we have entered this home this evening. We assure you dear friends that the object of meeting here to-night is merely to extend congratulations and show in some tangible way the respect and esteem we have for you, dear Lillie we have always found you a willing worker in our Aid and in fact a very zealous worker in all church work. Therefore on account of your many noble qualities we all have learned to love and respect you.

We assure Mr. Wilson that during the past year in which he has been a resident of this vicinity we have learned to love and respect you also. We have found you a regular attendant at Church and Sabbath School. We are pleased to have learned that you purpose to remain with us and become fully identified with all that pertains to citizenship. In token of the kindly feelings existing between us we ask you both to accept this set of dishes and water set as a token of love and respect. And may the God of all mercies grant that your wedded life may be one of continued happiness and prosperity. And may you both be long spared to wield your influence for all that pertains to Godliness is the sincere wish of all present.

And now Dear Mr. and Mrs. Hammond we assure you we are glad to meet with you on this occasion in your quiet home and extend congratulations. And we earnestly trust and hope that you may long be spared to enjoy the rest you so richly deserve, and may God grant you both His richest blessings in your decling years being the sincere wish of all present.

Signed in behalf of all your friends.

Mrs. Peter McKee
Mrs. Edwin Abbott
Mrs. David Benedict.

To Our Subscribers OUTSIDE the COUNTY

A large number of these subscriptions Fall Due Jany. 1st, 1914.

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CARD OF THANKS

Mr and Mrs Geo. Livingston wish to thank their friends and neighbours for their kindness and assistance in their recent loss.

CAPE STRIKERS BEATEN.

South African Government Won a Victory.

A despatch from Capetown, South Africa, says: Despatches from all parts of the union report that the strikers everywhere are returning to work and that the victory has been won by the government in the struggle with the federation of trades arising originally out of the strike of the railroad employes against the retrenchment policy of the companies. The iron grip of the premier, Gen. Louis Botha, was still in evidence on Friday morning at Johannesburg where 62 members of the Typographical Union were arrested while meeting. The charge against them was contravention of the provisions of martial law. Then men had just passed a resolution to resume work. At Salt River railroad work shops just outside Capetown all the men have returned, their leaders having declared the strike ended.

NOTED FINANCIER DEAD.

Hon. George A. Cox Passed Away in His 74th Year.

A despatch from Toronto says: Senator George A. Cox, for years rated one of the greatest financiers in Canada, and always a citizen of whom the Dominion was justly proud, died just before daybreak on Friday morning at his home in Sherbourne Street after an illness of nearly a year. He was in the 74th year of his age. Senator Cox's condition had been gradually growing worse during the past few weeks in spite of every assistance it was possible for three eminent physicians to render him, and during the last few days he had for the major portion of the time been lying in a state of coma, only his remarkable vitality keeping the spark of life within his body. Death was due to arterial sclerosis, or hardening of the arteries. The family were at the bedside when the end came.

OBJECT LESSON TO FARMERS.

Lennoxville, Quebec, to Have Experimental Farm.

A despatch from Ottawa says: A contract was awarded at Wednesday's Cabinet Council for the purchase of 415 acres for $46,000 for an experimental farm at Lennoxville, Que. This is the farm which the Government decided to establish in the Eastern Townships to act as an object lesson to the farmers of that district. The land which has been bought takes in a farm owned by Bishops' College and the Reid, Smith, Douglas, Bennett, Carter, Pearson and Reid farms. A number of such farms are being established in different parts of the country.

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SPEECH FROM THE THRONE

Redistribution Bill Forecasted, But Naval and Highway Measures Shelved for Present.

A despatch from Ottawa says: The opening of Parliament on Thursday was characterized with institutional procedure carried out with the greatest exactitude and fidelity to detail. The Duke came up from Rideau Hall escorted by a squadron of dragoons, was received by a guard of honor and saluted by twenty-one guns from the battery at Nepean Point.

The Senate Chamber was thronged with officialdom of many cities. Everyone stood when his Royal Highness entered, accompanied by the Princess Patricia and attended by a brilliant military suite. The Commons, meanwhile, had assembled down in their chamber, and waited the summons to go higher.

Speech From The Throne.

The speech from the throne was read by his Royal Highness in the following terms:

"Honorable Gentlemen of the Senate:

"Gentlemen of the House of Commons:

"I take this public opportunity of expressing to you all my deep sense of gratitude for the comfort and support that were afforded me at the time of the serious illness of the Duchess of Connaught by the numerous messages of sympathy that were received from Canada, and by the knowledge that the hearts of so many Canadians were with us during those dark days. I can only regret that my enforced absence, made it impossible for me to fully exercise the duties of my high office during a considerable portion of last year.

"It gives me great pleasure to be able to congratulate you upon the remarkable expansion of Canada's trade with other countries in the past fiscal year, during which our total trade far exceeded that of any preceding year.

Harvesting of Crops.

"The bountiful crops with which the Dominion has fortunately been blessed during the past season have been harvested under unusually favorable conditions, which have enabled the transportation companies to make full use of all the facilities at their disposal. Thus the difficulties, which sometimes arose in former years have not been manifest, and an unusually large proportion of the crops has been conveyed to the seaboard before the close of the season of inland navigation.

"Canada has been favored by a long series of prosperous years and, although at the present moment business is slightly restricted by the financial stringency which prevails throughout the world, I feel convinced that this condition will be merely temporary and that the boundless resources of this Dominion, which are so fully and universally known and recognized, give us the fullest assurance of continual material prosperity and progress.

Redistribution Heralded.

"As a result of the recent decennial census the representation of the different provinces must be readjusted, as required by the British North American Act and a bill will be introduced for that purpose.

"A bill consolidating the Railway Act and its various amendments as well as bills relating to the civil service and to trust and loan companies, will be submitted for your consideration.

"Several other bills will be submitted, including measures providing for increased representation of the provinces of Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta and British Columbia, in the Senate.

Volume of Immigration.

"The volume of immigration during the present fiscal year promises to be greater than that of any preceding year. It has come in greatest measure from the British Isles and from the United States, but a large stream of desirable immigration has also reached our shores from other countries.

"You will be pleased to learn that satisfactory arrangements have been made with the various provinces under the Agricultural Instruction Act passed at the last session. My advisors are convinced that the co-operation between the Dominion and the provinces which is thus afforded will accomplish excellent results, in assuring better agricultural instruction and needful improvement of existing methods of agriculture.

Work on N. T. R.

"The work on the National Transcontinental Railway has been rapidly advanced during the past year and, notwithstanding the difficulties attending the construction of the Hudson Bay Railway, and the provision of terminals, every possible progress has been made, in bringing that important project nearer to completion.

"In connection with the highly important subject of transportation of our products, the provision of adequate terminal facilities at our great national ports has received and is receiving the attention of my advisers.

Handling of Grain.

"You have doubtless learned with satisfaction that the new Government terminal elevator at Port Arthur is completed, and that it has been in operation since October last. In conjunction with this, a system of interior terminal elevators has been begun, which will provide largely increased facilities for the farmers of the great grain-producing provinces.

"The International Conference on safety of life at sea, which has been in session in London for several weeks, has had under consideration measures of the highest importance and it is hoped that its deliberations may result in more effective measures for assuring the safety of the passengers and crews of ocean-going steamships. Representatives of Canada were appointed by order in council and have been in attendance at all sessions of the conference.

Ample Revenue.

"Gentlemen of the House of Commons: "The accounts for the last fiscal year will be laid before you. You will be pleased to know that the revenue has been ample to cover both ordinary and capital expenditure.

"The estimates for the next fiscal year will be submitted at an early date. They have been prepared with due regard to the necessary development of the resources of the Dominion coupled with careful attention to economical administration.

"Honorable Gentlemen of the Senate. Gentlemen of the House: In inviting your careful consideration of the subjects to which I have called your attention I pray that the blessings of divine Providence may attend your deliberations."

DOMINION FOREST RESERVES.

In Better Shape This Year Than Ever Before.

A despatch from Ottawa says: R. H. Campbell, director of forestry, who has returned from a tour of inspection of the Dominion forest reserves in the west, says: "Unquestionably the work there is in better shape this year than ever before. Not only have fire-fighting facilities, such as trails, lookout stations, telephone lines, tool caches and fire guards, been very much improved, but the construction of good roads has made the pleasure resorts in these reserves more accessible to the public."

WONDERED WHY

And Found the Answer.

Many pale, sickly persons wonder for years why they have to suffer so, and eventually discover that the drug—caffeine—in tea and coffee is the main cause of the trouble.

"I was always very fond of coffee and drank it every day. I never had much flesh and often wondered why I was always so pale, thin and weak.

"About five years ago my health completely broke down and I was confined to my bed. My stomach was in such condition that I could hardly take sufficient nourishment to sustain life.

"During this time I was drinking coffee, didn't think I could do without it. (Tea is just as harmful because it contains caffeine, the same drug found in coffee.)

"After awhile I came to the conclusion that coffee was hurting me, and decided to give it up and try Postum. When it was made right—dark and rich—I soon became very fond of it.

"In one week I began to feel better. I could eat more and sleep better. My sick headaches were less frequent, and within five months I looked and felt like a new being, headache spells entirely gone.

"My health continued to improve and today I am well and strong, weigh 148 lbs. I attribute my present health to the life-giving qualities of Postum."

Name given by Canadian Postum Co., Windsor, Ont. Read "The Road to Wellville," in pkgs.

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"There's a Reason" for Postum.

Vincenze Perugia,

the Italian, who stole the Mona Lisa, the most famous painting in the world, which was recently recovered and returned to the Louvre, France.

PRICES OF FARM PRODUCTS

REPORTS FROM THE LEADING TRADE CENTRES OF AMERICA.

Prices of Cattle, Grain, Cheese and Other Produce at Home and Abroad.

Breadstuffs.

Toronto, Jan. 20.—Flour—Ontario wheat flour, 90 per cent., $3.50 to $3.55, seaboard, and at $3.50, Toronto. Manitobas—First patents, in jute bags, $5.30; do., seconds, $4.80; strong bakers', in jute bags, $4.60.

Manitoba wheat—Lake ports, No. 1 Northern, 95 1-2c, and No. 2, 93 1-2c, track, Goderich. All rail No. 1 Northern, $1.00 1-2 No. 2, 98 1-2c.

Ontario wheat—No. 2 at 85 to 86c, outside.

Oats—No. 2 Ontario oats, 34 1-2 to 35c, outside, and at 38 to 38 1-2c, on track, Toronto. Western Canada oats, 40 1-2c for No. 2, and at 39c for No. 3, Bay ports.

Peas—$1 to $1.05, outside.

Barley—Good malting barley, 54 to 55c, outside.

Corn—New No. 2 American, 70c, all rail, Toronto.

Rye—No. 2 at 62 to 63c, outside.

Buckwheat—Offerings limited, with No. 2 quoted at 70c to 72c, outside.

Bran—Manitoba bran, $22 a ton, in bags, Toronto freight. Shorts, $28, Toronto.

Country Produce.

Butter—Choice dairy, 23 to 24c; inferior, 20 to 21c; farmers' separator prints, 24 to 26c; creamery prints, 30 to 31c; solids, 28 to 29c; storage prints, 27 to 28c; solids, 26 to 26 1-2c.

Eggs—Case lots of new-laid, 40 to 42c per dozen; selects, 36 to 37c, and storage, 34 to 35c per dozen.

Cheese—New cheese, 14 1-2 to 14 3-4c for large, and 15c for twins.

Beans—Hand-picked, $2.20 to $2.25 per bushel; primes, $2 to $2.10.

Honey—Extracted, in tins, 11 to 12c per lb. for No. 1; combs, $3 to $3.25 per dozen for No. 1, and $2.40 to $2.50 for No. 2.

Poultry—Fowl, 11 to 12c per lb.: chickens, 16 to 17c; ducks, 13 to 15c; geese, 14 to 15c; turkeys, 19 to 22c.

Potatoes—Ontarios, 80c per bag, on track, and Delawares at 80 to 85c, on track, in car lots.

Provisions.

Bacon—Long clear, 15 to 16c per lb., in case lots. Pork—Short cut, $28.50; do., mess, $24.50. Hams—Medium to light, 18 1-2 to 19 1-2c; heavy, 17 1-2 to 18c; rolls, 15 to 15 1-2c; breakfast bacon, 18 to 19c; backs, 23 to 24c.

Lard—Tierces, 14 to 14 1-4c; tubs, 14 1-4 to 14 1-2c; pails, 14 1-2 to 14 3-4c.

Baled Hay and Straw.

Baled hay—No. 1 at $14.60 to $15 a ton, on track here; No. 2 quoted at $13 to $13.50, and mixed at $12 to $12.50.

Baled straw—Car lots, $8.50 to $8.75, on track, Toronto.

Winnipeg Grain.

Winnipeg, Jan. 20.—Cash:—Wheat—No. 1 Northern, 86 1-4c; No. 2 do., 84 5-8c; No. 3, do., 81 3-4c; No. 4, 75c; No. 5, 69c; No. 6, 64 1-2c; feed, 59c; No. 1 rejected seeds, 79c; No. 2, do., 77c; No. 3, do., 75c; No. 1 smutty, 79c; No. 2, do., 77c; No. 3, do., 75c; No. 1 rejected, Winter, 86 1-4c; No. 2 red Winter, 84 5-8c; No. 3, do., 81 3-4c. Oats—No. 2 C.W., 33 1-8c; No. 3, do., 31 1-2c; extra No. 1 feed, 31 3-4c; No. 1 feed, 31 1-4c; No. 2, do., 30 1-4c. Barley—No. 3, 41 1-2c; No. 4, 40c; rejected, 38c; feed, 37 1-2c. Flax—No. 1 N.-W.C., $1.29 1-2; No. 2 C.W., $1.26 1-2; No. 2, do., $1.13 1-2.

Montreal Markets.

Montreal, Jan. 20.—Oats—Canadian Western, No. 2, 41 1-2 to 42c; Canadian Western, No. 3, 40 1-2 to 41c; extra No. 1 feed, 41 to 41 1-2c. Barley, Man. feed, 48 to 50c; malting, 64 to 66. Buckwheat, No. 2, 56 to 57c. Flour, Man. Spring wheat patents, firsts, $5.40; seconds, $4.90; strong bakers', $4.70. Winter patents, choice, $4.75 to $5; straight rollers, $4.50 to $4.60; straight rollers, bags, $2 to $2.10. Rolled oats, barrels, $4.40 to $4.50; bags, 90 lbs., $2.10 to $2.12 1-2. Bran, $20 to $21. Shorts, $22 to $23. Middlings, $25 to $26. Mouillie, $27 to $31. Hay, No. 2 per ton, car lots, $13 50 to $16. Cheese, finest western, 13 7-8 to 14c; finest easterns, 13 1-4 to 13 3-4c. Butter, choicest creamery, 28 1-2 to 29c; seconds, 26 1-2 to 27c. Eggs, fresh, 44 to 46c; selected, 38c; No. 1 stock, 34c; No. 2 stock, 26c. Potatoes, per bag, car lots, 75 to 85c.

United States Markets.

Minneapolis, Jan. 20.—Wheat—May, 88 3-8 to 88 1-2 asked; July, 90 1-8 to 90 1-4c. Cash—No. 1 hard, 90 3-8c; No. 1 Northern, 86 7-8 to 89 3-8c; No. 2, do., 84 3-8 to 86 3-8c; No. 3 wheat, 82 3-8 to 84 3-8c. Corn—No. 3 yellow, 59c. Oats—No. 3 white, 36 1-4 to 36 1-2c. Flour—Fancy patent, $4.60; first clears, $3.40; second clears, unchanged; shipments, 49,749 barrels. Bran—$21.50.

Duluth, Jan. 20.—Wheat—No. 1 hard, 88 1-4c; No. 1 Northern, 87 1-4c; No. 2, do., 85 1-4c; Montana, No. 2 hard, 85 1-4 to 85 3-4c; May, 89 1-4c; July, 90 1-4c. Linseed—Close—Cash, $1,52 1-4; January, $1.71 1-4; May, $1.55 1-4.

Live Stock Markets.

Montreal, Jan. 20.—Butcher steers, good, $7.25 to $7.50; fair, $6.75 to $7; medium, $7.25 to $7.50; butcher bullocks, good, $7 to $7.25; poor to medium; $4 to $6.75 butcher cows, good, $6.75 to $7; fair, $6 25 to $6.50; medium, $5.75 to $6; common, $5.25 to $5.50; poor, $4.50 to $5; sheep, $5; lambs, $8; hogs, selects, $9.75; sows, $7.75; stags, weighed off cars, $5; calves, $3 to $15.

Toronto, Jan. 20.—Cattle—Choice butchers, $8.75 to $9; good medium, $7.25 to $7.75; common cows, $3 50 to $4.50; butchers' bulls, $3.75 to $7.75; canners and cutters, $3.50 to $4; choice fat cows, $7.25 to $7.50. Calves—Good veal, $8.75 to $11; common, $4 75 to $5.10. Stockers and feeders—Steers, 910 to 1,050 pounds, $6 to $6.75; good quality, 800 pounds, $4.50 to $5.25; light, $3.50 to $5.50. Sheep and lambs—Light ewes, $6 25 to $6.75; heavy, $3 to $3.50; bucks, $3 to $3.50; spring lambs, $8.50 to $9.25, but with 75c per head deducted for all the buck lambs. Hogs—$9.50 to $9.60 fed and watered, $9.75 off cars, $9 f.o.b.

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A despatch from Ottawa says: A bulletin issued on Wednesday by the census and statistics office gives final estimates of the area, yield and value of the principal field crops of Canada in 1913, as compared with 1912. Last year's season was very favorable for grain-growing in the northwest provinces, where during the ripening, harvesting and threshing periods conditions, generally speaking, were ideal. In Ontario, Quebec, and parts of the Maritime Provinces, on the other hand, the yield of grain was adversely affected by prolonged drought. For the whole of Canada the principal field crops occupied a total estimated area of 35,375,000 acres, as compared with 35,575,000 acres in 1912, and their value, computed at average local market prices, was $552,771,500, as compared with $557,344,100 in 1912. Wheat, upon 11,015,000 acres, produced 231,717,000 bushels, of the value of $156,462,000, the corresponding figures in 1912 being 10,996,700 acres, 224,159,000 bushels, and $139,090,000. Of the total wheat area, 970,000 acres were devoted to fall wheat, the production being 22,592,000 bushels, and the value $18,185,000, as compared with 971,000 acres, 20,387,000 bushels, and $17,157,000 in 1912. Oats yielded a total of 404,669,000 bushels, from 10,434,000 acres, and the value reached $128,893,000, the corresponding figures of 1912 being 9,966,000 acres, 391,629,000 bushels, and $126,304,000.

Both the wheat and oat crops of 1913 are the highest on record in anada—wheat as regards area, yield and value, and oats as regards area and yield. The value of the oat crop was exceeded in 1911, when the amount was $132,949,000. Barley, upon 1,613,000 acres, yielded 48,319,000 bushels, of the value of $120,144,000, as against 1,581,000 acres, 49,398,000 bushels, and $22,354,000, in 1912. Flax seed occupied 1,552,800 acres, and the production was 17,539,000 bushels, of the value of $17,084,000, as compared with 2,021,900 acres, 26,130,000 bushels, and $23,608,000, in 1912.

The quality of the grain crops, as indicated by the average weight per measured bushel is excellent, and is superior to 1912. Spring wheat averages 60.37 pounds, against 58.90 pounds in 1912; oats, 36.50 pounds against 35.50 pounds, and barley 48.50 pounds against 47.50 pounds.

In the three northwest provinces of Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the production in 1913 of wheat is estimated at 209,262,000 bushels, compared with 204,280,000 bushels in 1912; of oats, 242,413,000 bushels, compared with 242,321,000 bushels, and of barley 31,060,000 bushels, compared with 31,000,000 bushels. The wheat production of 1913 in Manitoba was 53,331,000 bushels, from 2,804,000 acres; in Saskatchewan, 121,559,000 bushels, from 5,720,000 acres, and in Alberta 34,372,000 bushels, from 1,512,000 acres.

Comment on Events

The Beau Ideal Bandit.

No Mexican Zapata of to-day deserves to be rated with that indomitable Raisuli. A man of remote Morocco, plying his vocation in a land for which civilization has had small concern, Raisuli has made himself the most important and distinguished exemplar of the highest things in brigandage.

It will be remembered that Raisuli took possession of the person of Mr. Perdicaris, an American, who had the questionable taste to reside in Morocco. Raisuli demanded ransom. President Roosevelt demanded "Perdicaris alive or Raisuli dead" from the Moroccan government. Raisuli got what he demanded.

He kidnapped many others, including a London Times correspondent, and made money easily out of each transaction. The Moroccan government could do nothing with him at all and no other government could compel the Moroccan government to do the impossible.

Now Raisuli appears in a new role. He has just declared himself Sultan of Morocco. The real Sultan is a subsidized and pitiful thing, a mere tool of the French and Spanish occupiers of his land. Raisuli promises to be a real sultan, a sultan after the manner of the first great conquerors of Islam. He will not cease to fight till every Frank is expelled from Morocco or until every Moroccan fighting man is slain by Frank machine guns.

Judging solely from Raisuli's past performances, he means pretty much what he says. A bandit sultan may cause much trouble before his case is finally settled.

The Mines Have Made Good.

The steadying and revivifying influence of Ontario's mines upon business during the past year has been most marked. There was much money wasted upon wildcat projects in the Rainy River and in the Cobalt and Porcupine regions. Many who "took a flier" in mining stocks have nothing to remind them of their ventures except extremely ornate but worthless stock certificates.

But out of the heap of failures there have emerged some splendid successes. Cobalt's silver mines paid over ten million dollars in dividends last year. Porcupine's gold mines began to show their possibilities. From both sources there will be steady payments during the present year to thousands of stockholders scattered all over the country. The disbursements of mining dividends will continue for many years, and new mines as yet undiscovered or developed, will add greatly to their volume. As an anchor to windward against financial storms the mines of this Province have been a pronounced success.

Germans Good Citizens.

The Government's scheme for the establishment of colonies of Germans in Manitoba and Alberta will give rise to no misgivings. There is no "menace" here, but only promises of the country's good. Nor, barring restrictions of the Fatherland, should there be any great difficulty in inducing immigration from Germany. Canada has already a generous intermingling of German population. There is no finer class of citizen. Wherever he has planted himself the country has profited by that thrift and thoroughness, that enterprise and sterling honesty that are his marked characteristics.

The Demand for Furs.

The fur trade in the far north is still on very much the same basis as when Cartier and Champlain first traded beads and knickknacks with the wondering chiefs at Quebec, says the Argonaut. A million and a half dollars' worth of merchandise goes north from Edmonton, Canada, every spring to be exchanged for the two and a half millions of fur that come back in midsummer and autumn. So far as the fur trade in America is concerned, the traders claim that there is no perceptible falling off as yet; that, in fact, more fur is being brought to market each year. But in Russia, Germany, Japan and Australia there is a general decrease in the supply. In the past twenty years the world's catch of the twelve most important furs has fallen off from 5 per cent. to 700 per cent., while the demand for the more expensive varieties has multiplied enormously. The ceaseless effort to satisfy this demand can have but one end, and it is only logical to expect that even the great game preserves of the Canadian North and Alaska will in time be hunted bare.

Weight of the Brain and Its Potency.

Another popular fallacy has been exploded. We have long regarded with envy and admiration the man with the lofty brow and massive head as the embodiment of intellectual greatness. According to a brain specialist who delivered an address before the American Physiological Society the weight of the brain has nothing to do with its potency, and all previous theory regarding mental equipment must go glimmering. The result of it all is that the man with the big head may no longer claim mental superiority, and all that we have been hearing regarding the brains of great men seems a sort of scientific fairy tale. Your brain may weigh a half ton and may be most intricately marked, and yet, if the invisible cells haven't the mysterious quality the speaker was unable to define, you may be as dull as some of the men one sees at afternoon teas.

The Starving Albanians.

As an aftermath of the Balkan war, which ended many months ago, comes the report of a man who has just returned from a four hundred mile trip through the wildest part of the interior of Albania. According to him, thirty thousand persons are in danger of starving as the result of the Servian occupation of that territory and one hundred thousand people are homeless.

This is in sharp contrast with conditions in that part of Turkey which fell into the hands of the Greeks, where, according to the latest information, the situation is improving rapidly and the inhabitants are not only recovering from the sufferings entailed by the war, but are enjoying tranquillity never before realized by them.

As a race the Albanians do not rank high in the scale of civilization. And the suffering this may be due some of the suffering they are now undergoing. But they combine in themselves some of the best qualities of some of the bravest and strongest races of that section of Europe. And with the right type of men for leaders, with a government strong enough to suppress lawlessness of all kinds, it is not unreasonable to expect this suffering they are now undergoing is but the darkness before the dawn.

Bourbonism in Mexico.

What Bourbonism does to Bourbons is clearly shown in the case of Louis Terrazas, the great landed proprietor of the State of Chihuahua, in Mexico. Terrazas' Bourbonism was so strong that he strenuously resisted the mild attempts of former President Madero to mitigate the evil of the land monopoly in Mexico. He carried his resistance to the extent of giving financial assistance to the movement that resulted in placing Huerta in power. He is now reaping the whirlwind. His estates have been confiscated, his son is a captive held for ransom and he himself has barely escaped with his life. It is the story over again of the pre-revolutionary French aristocrats who would not listen to the mild proposals of Turgot.

An American Senator speaking in London bitterly assailed Britain's policy in Mexico.

A Dark Shadow;

Or, A Coming Vengeance

CHAPTER XXVIII.—(Continued).

Clive went down to Rafborough, and, as in the case of his father's death, had to make all the necessary arrangements—he could not even communicate with Bertie, the present Lord Rafborough—and he was not able to return to town until ten days had elapsed. He had wired to Edith to say that he was coming, and she was waiting for him, looking very tall and queenly in her black frock; and Clive noticed a certain change in her face. She was pale, and there were dark shadows under her eyes, which were unnaturally brilliant, as if she were feverish; and there was a certain restlessness about her movements which was unusual with her; at times, as they talked, a hectic flush rose to her face, and her voice sounded hard and strained. Clive asked if she were unwell; but she answered in the negative, and with a laugh as strained and hard as her voice.

Of course, they spoke of the wedding; and Clive was anxious to fix an early date; but they knew that it would be impossible for him to leave London until some of the affairs of the Rafborough estate were settled; and he left her without any date having been decided on. Mechanically Clive walked towards the House; but he stopped short at the gates; for he felt that he could not bear the condolences which would be poured upon him; and he went to his rooms; but he did not feel equal to tackling the pile of letters that stood on his table, and, weary as he was, he could not rest; so he went out again, and wandered about.

His brother's death, his own approaching mariage, the arrears of business, should have fully occupied his mind to the exclusion of any other subject; but he knew that he was trying to thrust Mina from his mind and heart. In this condition he wandered through the streets, and presently came to the large and busy one from which led Benson's Rents. As usual, the kerbs were lined with costermongers' barrows, at which the people were bargaining and haggling; and the noise and the bustle distracted and soothed him.

But presently, as he was making his way through the crowd, he stopped dead short, and the blood rushed to his face. At a fruit stall stood Tibby. Tibby, not dressed in fine apparel, accentuated by an ostrich feather, as he had seen her at the door of the concert hall, but Tibby with a basket on her arm, and with a peculiar headgear surmounting her elfish face as in the days before Mina's success.

Consumed by surprise and anxiety, Clive made his way to her side, and spoke her name. She turned sharply, and, with reddened face, regarded him with a half-guilty, half-defiant air.

"Oh, it's you, is it?" she said. Then she turned to the man at the barrow, and went on with her haggling. "Threepence a pound is too much," she said in a determined voice. "It would be too much if they was quite fresh; and they ain't. Them plums look to me as if you'd had 'em under the bed for a week; and I shouldn't be surprised if you 'ad. I suppose you take me for a lady of title or a softy."

"No, I'm blessed if I do!" retorted the man. "The chap as took you for a softy would find he 'ad a 'arder nut to crack than his grinders could manage. Thrupence is my price, take 'em or leave 'em."

"Well, throw in a cabbage," said Tibby, "an' I'll take a pound."

"Wot, the whole of a pound!" he exclaimed satirically. "Sure you don't mean the barrow load?"

"I'm not buying sauce, wholesale or retail," retorted Tibby. "If you don't care to serve me, I'll go to the next barrer, which is kept by a man who knows how to be civil, at any rate!"

"'Ere's the pound, and 'ere's the cabbage," said the man, jabbing them into a basket; "an' my gratitude to a mussiful Providence that I don't orften 'ave such customers as you."

With a grin of satisfaction, Tibby paid her threepence, and then turned to Clive.

"Oh, you're 'ere still," she said. "Wot do you want?"

"To carry your basket, Tibby," said Clive.

"Not for me," said Tibby. "I am quite equal to carrying it. I'm not used to 'aving gentlemen, specially high Parliamentary swels, waitin' on me. Good night, Mr. Harvey."

As she turned to go Clive laid his hand on her shoulder.

"Are you treating me fairly, Tibby?" he said. "Have you treated me fairly in the past?"

She looked up at him sideways. Perhaps his haggard face, his mourning suit of black serge, appealed to her; for her eyes softened; but she said nothing. They walked side by side towards the Rents.

"You suppressed my telegram, you sent back my letter," said Clive. "That was very wrong, Tibby; and it worked a wrong, a very great one. But for you, Mina"—his voice shook—"and I should have been married long ago."

She stopped short, and looked at him. "Married!" she echoed. "D'you mean——?"

Clive stared at her in amazement; and there was something in the expression of his face which struck her with conviction and something like remorse.

"I—I didn't know that," she faltered. "I thought you was only fooling with Mina, 'specially when I found out what a swell you were. Married!—But you're going to marry somebody else?" she said with sharp suspicion.

"That is true," he replied; "but—it is too long a story to tell you, Tibby. My lips are sealed. Never mind me or my affairs. I want to know why you are back here in London, as if no good fortune had come to you. I want to know how Mina is—what has happened to send you back here. And you will tell me, Tibby? Come, you owe me something, you know.—Let me carry your basket."

She resigned it mechanically, and he took it. She was evidently much distressed and embarrassed; but the old spirit showed itself.

"Wotever I did, I did for the best," she said. "Mina's everything to me, and was I to stand by, an' see her made a fool of, an' do nothin'? Wouldn't you have done the same if you had been in my place? But wot's it matter! You're going to be married. An' that being' so"—she broke off sharply—"wot are you mooching about 'ere for; an' wot business of yours is Mina's affairs?"

"If you could read my heart, Tibby," said Clive, "you would have no need to ask. I have lost her for ever—thanks to you and Fate. But do you think I don't care what becomes of her? I have heard that she has been ill. I want to see her—if for the last time."

"For the last time," she caught him up sharply. "D'ye mean that? If I've been hard on you, as you say—and perhaps I have—I'll let you see her just once, for the last time, mind! Then we are quits. I don't mind owning that I've always liked you; and if I'd thought you meant honest and strite by Mina—— You will find her at home. I'll give you a quarter of an hour." She caught his arm as he turned without a word. "You'll be gentle with her? She's been ill?"

Clive waited for no more, but walked quickly to the Rents. As he turned under the archway he almost ran against a man; and, as he murmured an apology something about the man struck him as familiar; but he was too agitated, absorbed, to pause; and, finding the door open, he went up the rickety stairs, and knocked at the sitting-room door. His heart beat so painfully at the sound of Mina's "Come in" that he had to pause a moment.

She must have recognized his step; for she had started from her chair, and was standing, looking towards the door, one hand gripping the chair, the other pressed against her bosom. For a moment there was silence, as he gazed at her, and noted the pallor of her face, the profound melancholy in her eyes. Then he went to her, and took her hand.

"Mina!" he said. "You have been ill, you are here, back here: I have just seen Tibby; she has told me nothing; but she has let me come to you—for the last time."

"I—I am glad it is the last time," she said.

She sank into the chair, and he leant against the mantelshelf, looking down at her with all his love and all his despair in his eyes. "Yes, I have been ill," she said in a low voice. "I lost my voice. The doctor said I must rest—sometimes I think it will never come back. There was a clause in my agreement which protected the Chevalier against the risk of my illness or the loss of my voice. We had saved a little money, not much; and Tibby—you know how careful she is?"—she smiled—"thought it would be better for us to come back here. We had to wait some weeks until the rooms were vacant——" She stopped.

It all seemed so commonplace, so banal; but tragedy is always hedged round by the commonplace, the banal. Here were these two with their love for each other burning like a devouring flame in their hearts; and they could say nothing, speak of nothing relating to the tragedy of their lives, though one of them knew that he had but a few minutes for this last farewell.

And across Clive's mind at that moment there flashed the remembrance of the fact that the girl who sat before him in this poor little lodging room was not a London waif and stray, but the daughter of one of the wealthiest of our peers.

CHAPTER XXIX.

"Mina," said Clive, moved by a sudden impulse, "there is something I must tell you, something you ought to know. It is not right that you should be living here, in something like poverty, while——"

She raised her eyes to his, and he saw that she knew.

"Mr. Quilton has told me," she said. "He has been very kind, kinder than any one would think it possible for him to be. Yes; he has told me. It is a secret between us, and I should not have told you of my knowledge if you had not spoken. It must be a secret still."

"Then you have decided, Mina?" said Clive gravely.

"Oh, yes, yes, indeed!" she responded earnestly, the color rising to her face, her eyes dewy with tears. "Why should I rob that poor girl of her father; why should I wound him? They have learnt to love each other as father and daughter. To me he would be a stranger, I should be a stranger to him."

"You are a peer's daughter all the same," said Clive.

"You are thinking of the title, the money?" she said. She shook her head. "They are nothing to me. I should not know what to do with them. No; if God will only give me back my voice——" Her words failed her, and she turned her head away.

Clive did not speak for a minute or two. "Fate has been very hard on us, Mina," he said hoarsely. "It has sentenced one of us at least to a living death; there is no appeal, no escape. When I parted from you that morning at Brimfield I saw the folly, the wickedness of this loveless marriage of mine—yes; I must speak plainly: it is due to you. You know that I love you, Mina, and shall love you while life lasts. I had resolved to go to Lady Edith, and tell her the whole truth; but almost on my way I discovered that she held the place in the world which belongs to you."

She looked up at him with the tears almost blinding her, and held out her hand.

"I know, I know!" she broke in. "You could not—desert her. You would not have deserted me in such a case. Do you think I don't understand? It is hard for me.—Ah, no, no!" for naturally enough he made to draw her to him. "You must not, Clive, I should never forgive myself if I were to lead you to forget your duty to her. It is only the thought that you must do the right thing that helps me to bear my trouble. And I could not bear it if I saw you even only now and again. You said when you came in that we were meeting for the last time; and it must be so. I won't ask you to forget me—I know that it would be impossible for me to forget you; but I will try to remember you as a very good, very great friend. Don't be anxious about me. My voice will come back again; and if it should not, there are other ways of earning a living, and I shall learn to be content, if not happy."

Clive turned away, for he could not look on her face and retain command of himself.

"It is good-bye?" he said hoarsely at last.

"It is good-bye," she echoed, holding out both her hands, and trying to smile.

He took the trembling hands, and bent over her; but he felt that to kiss her would be to outrage her sense of purity, to insult her grief. He looked long into her eyes, then lingeringly dropped her hand, and quickly went out.

Tibby was waiting for him in the street. She opened her lips to speak to him; but the agony in his face struck her dumb; and with scarcely a glance at her he passed on. As he emerged from the Rents, a man stepped from an open doorway, and looked after him with an evil glitter in his eyes. It was Koshki.

That same night Sara stole into the Chesterleighs' house by the side entrance. Her dark face was hard and set, and her lips writhed as if she were muttering to herself. As she put aside the dark cloak which almost concealed her Oriental dress, her fleshless hands opened and shut spasmodically, as if she were in a state of suppressed fury and excitement; and for some minutes she paced up and down her room with the gait and manner of a tigress. Then, as if with an effort, she regained her usual composure, and smoothing her white hair she went to her mistress's room, and knocked softly at the door. There was no answer, and she opened the door as softly; but at the threshold she stopped with a startled exclamation; for Lady Edith was lying face downwards on the couch, one arm pressed across her eyes, the other hanging limply down with a letter crushed in her hand.

Sara locked the door swiftly, and ran to her mistress. "Dearie, dearie!" she cried. "What is it, sun of my soul, what has happened? Speak to me, speak to your own Sara!"

Lady Edith raised her head; her face was white, save for patches of crimson; her eyes were glowing, burning, as if with fever.

"Where have you been?" she demanded hoarsely, her hand going to her throat as if she were choking. "I want you. I want you to laugh with me," she laughed hysterically. "This letter—look at it—read it! The vile thing! It is the second I have received. It is some enemy of his. I know that, and yet I am fool enough to be distressed, upset. Read it, Sara, and tell me that I am a fool to take any notice of an anonymous letter!"

She still held the letter crushed in her hand; and Sara drew it away with gentle force, and read it. Lady Edith was watching her with a greedy, devouring glance, expecting, hoping, to hear Sara's derisive laugh; but as she saw the woman's face grow white, her eyes flash, and her lips twist with a hate that could not conceal itself, Lady Edith uttered a faint cry, and shrank back.

"Read it out aloud," she commanded, almost inaudibly.

Sara moistened her parched lips, and in a strained voice read:

"This is from one who knows Mr. Clive Harvey to be a hypocrite and a traitor, and who thinks it right that the lady he has deceived should know it also. Let her ask him why he goes to a place called Benson's Rents, and what business he has with a young girl there. He has been acquainted with her for some time, intimately and clandestinely acquainted, and visits her frequently but cautiously. He was there to-day. Let Lady Edith Chesterleigh make inquiries, secret inquiries, and she may escape the toils of this arch-traitor."

Sara read to the end, then raised her eyes, and looked with an agony of [illegible] cation at the white, blotched face as if she were appealing to her mistress's pride and spirit. Lady Edith met the gaze and shuddered.

"Is it true?" she demanded inaudibly. "Speak, Sara! Tell me the truth, the truth!"

"It is true," said Sara.

Lady Edith sprang to her feet, as if she had been struck and every fibre of her being were in fierce revolt and resentment against the blow. Sara flung herself on her knees, and wound her thin arms round her mistress's waist.

"It is true, it is true, dearie!" she cried in a kind of wail. "Light of my life, be calm! He is not worth a thought, a pang, of yours. He is a liar, a hypocrite, and a traitor, as the wretch who wrote this says. It is the man Koshki. He and I have been watching, dogging Harvey Sahib. There is a girl. I have seen her. I went to her months ago, and warned her, bade her cast him off."

Lady Edith writhed with humiliation; then grew rigid with impotent rage.

"You went to her—how dared you!"

"Dared!" Sara laughed. "Is there anything I wouldn't dare to win happiness for my soul's love, my child? I thought it was all over between them. But no! he still cares for her; he meets her, goes to her."

"Who—who is she?" demanded Lady Edith, her bosom heaving.

"She is called Mina," said Sara. "She is the singer girl—the girl at the concert who was struck dumb when she saw him amongst the people. As this man says, the sahib—the fool-beast—was with her to-day; I saw him." Her voice broke, and she clung more tightly to the tense figure. "Dearie, you will cast him off, you will have done with him! He is not worthy that you should touch him with your finger tips, not worthy that the glory of your eyes should rest upon him. Think no more of him, light of my soul, but spurn him from you. Let him go, let him go. He shall not go unpunished."

"Unpunished!" broke from Lady Edith's white lips, and she laughed discordantly. "Who shall punish him? He will not suffer. It is I, I only, who will suffer. He will marry this girl, this girl of the gutter, in which he is so fond of dabbling. She is one of his 'People.' Pretty, I suppose?"

Sara's eyes fell, and she ground her teeth. Lady Edith laughed again.

"Yes; I know the type! And he can leave me for her! Leave me who loves him! Punished! Is there any punishment too bitter, too cruel for so vile a traitor? Yes; the word fits him. Oh, if I could only think of some way to strike him, to make him suffer a hundredth part of the agony he is causing me!"

Her voice choked, and she became inarticulate; and she tore at the lace at her bosom as if she were stifling, as if her heart were bursting. Sara glided to her feet, and drew the quivering form to the couch; her eyes were glittering, her thin lips twisting, her teeth clenched.

"Hush, dearie, hush!" she whispered, hissed rather. "Be at rest, my angel! Keep your soul calm. He shall not go unpunished. I, Sara, swear it."

Lady Edith tried to throw her off. "What can you do?" she demanded scornfully. "We are both helpless women, and can do nothing but look on and smile at their happiness."

"No, no!" crooned Sara. "Sara is not helpless. She comes of a different race from the mem sahib's. They endure and bear and do nothing; but Sara's people take not a blow in such fashion. We strike back, and strike quickly, if the blow is for ourselves; how much more surely and quickly if it is given to the child of our bosom. Unpunished! We shall see! You shall see, dearie! And when the hour comes, you shall say that the punishment is worthy of the evil he wrought. What! Sara stand with folded hands and meekly bent head while her child, the life of her soul, is torn and lacerated!" Her eyes dilated, her white teeth gleamed, her whole aspect was that of a tiger thirsting for blood and already scenting it.

(To be continued.)

PLEADS FOR BLACK BREAD.

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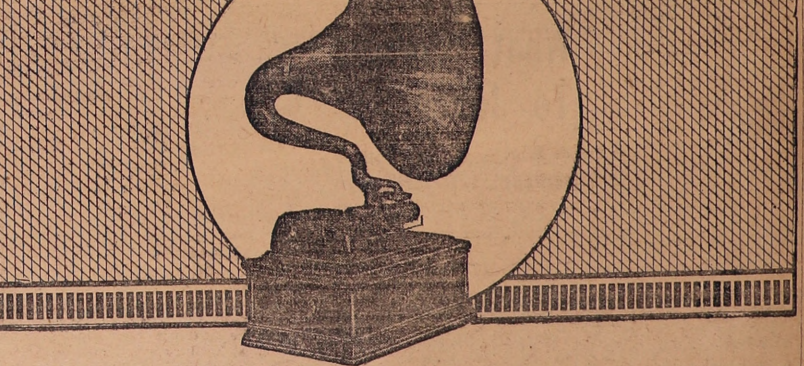

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RAILWAY TIME TABLE

Trains call at Stirling station as follows:

GOING WEST		GOING EAST	
Mail & Ex.	8.02 a.m.	Passenger	10.12 a.m.
Passenger	6 45 p.m.	Mail & Ex.	3 31 p.m.

Local & General

Carnival at Rink to-night.

Hockey Match at Rink on Monday night Tweed vs Local Team.

Tuesday night being so stormy the Carnival was forced to be deferred and will be held to-night.

Found;— Plush Rug on Tuesday evening at Herald, Owner can procure same at T. H. Mc Kee's, on paying cost of this advertisement.

The Tweed Hockey Team play the Local Team on the Rink Monday night. The Tweed boys are considered pretty able handlers of the stick, and a good game should be played.

Don't forget the Concert in the Music Hall next Tuesday night in favor of the Stirling Public Library.

This Quartette comes highly recommended and will give a rare treat to those fortunate enough to be present.

Plan of Hall at Morton's Drug Store.

The young people of Stirling and the Vicinity were right royally Entertained at the home of Mr and Mrs J. C. Hagerman, West Huntingdon on Monday Evening.

May another treat such as this be in store for them at the same place in the near future.

The Centre Hastings County Sabbath School convention will be held at the Marmora Methodist Church on Monday Jan. 26th. There will be three sessions, Miss Bertha Laine, Secy. of Elementary Grades of Provincial Office also Rev. F. A. Farewell B. A. will address the afternoon and evening sessions.

The regular meeting of the Public Library Board was held on Tuesday evening, when the following were elected as officers for the year.

Pres., Mrs (Dr.) Potts; Secty., Rev. B. F. Byers; Treas., G. E. Kennedy; Directors Reeve Coulter, T. E. Butler Yeats, Mrs (Dr.) Alger and E. T. Williams.

Geo. F. Hubbell has sold his farm to Albt. Dunkley who takes possession in a few weeks. Mr Hubbell will remain with his family in Campbellford, while sorry to lose them from our neighborhood we wish them success in their change, what is our loss is Campbellford's gain and we are pleased to know they are not leaving our Province.

J. M. Clarke who sold his property to Geo Gay some days ago expects to move into the village in a few weeks, for the present he will occupy his sister's house on Henry Street adjoining the Empire Block property. He is now having lumber prepared for building a dwelling on the lot he purchased some time ago between the T. H. Mc Kee and J W. Sarles dwellings. All will welcome him and family to the village.

Lord Strathcona, who from a poor Scotch lad in the employ of the Hudson Bay Co. rose by successive steps to be one of the wealthy men of the world, and filled a very large nitch in the financial and public life of Canada and also of the Empire, died on Monday at London.

He was born in 1820 at Forres Scotland, entering the employ of the H. B. Co. in 1838.

H. Long who has for the past year carried on a Home made Candy business, closed up his business last week and to-day takes his last load away to Trenton, where he will open up a first class Candy business in that town. Mr. Long while here made many friends, and proved himself an up-to-date business man, who fully believed in printer's ink and progressive business modes and in a larger field for specializing will no doubt work up a good business. We wish him success. His wife and family will not leave for some few weeks.

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Dr. Wardrope one of the pioneer Presbyterian ministers of the Dominion died at the residence of his son-in law, Montreal, on Saturday at the age of 94. He was pastor of Cholmes Church Guelph for 25 years and previous of St. Pauls Ottawa for 20 yrs, and retired from active work about 16 years ago.

Krafchenko the supposed murderer of H. M. Arnold, manager of Plum Coulee Branch of the Bank of Montreal was arrested at Winnipeg on Sunday night, by three detectives, a reward of $11000 had been offered so they will make some easy money, several arrests have been made as accessaries to the escape including the prisoner's Lawyer and constable Reid who had principle charge of him during his imprisonment.

LOST

Large Collie Dog, answers to the name of Uno, black on the back, broad white ring round neck and white breast. Anyone returning or giving any information for recovery will be suitably rewarded.

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Menie Institute.

The monthly meeting of the Women's Institute was held at the home of Mrs. Lamb on Friday afternoon Jan. 16th at 2 o'clock. Mrs. Dawson of Parkhill was present and gave a very interesting and instructive address on "The Farmer's Wife and Her Problems" to fifty ladies. Music was furnished by Mrs. John Thompson (Menie) and Miss Mae Oddie. The collection for the supression of the white slave traffic amounted to $1.10. In the evening a joint meeting of the Women's and Farmer's Institute was held in Lamb Hall when Mrs. Dawson gave an address on "Beyond the Hills of Home." Mr. Campbell of Maxville spoke on "The Bright Side of Farm Life" which was enjoyed by all. Music was furnished by Messrs. Stewart, Lamb and Donald.

The next meeting will be held on Feb. 19 at 2 o'clock p. m. at the home of Mrs. Alex Milne. Miss Alice Milne will give a paper on "Thoughts For The New Year." Mrs. Alex Milne and Mrs. Ed. Rannie will demonstrate table setting. Everyone Welcome.

The Institute wishes through the press to thank those who have sent donations for the Burnbrae cemetery.

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What Happened To Jones

And a lot of other People Is Described In The HOME PAPER

TAKE IT REGULARLY

The Turks are said, by a Boston newspaper, to be again at their old habit of destroying the Armenians. Carefully verified reports have been received recently from the most trust-worthy sources giving details of horrors too bad to describe in print, which include theft, pillage, torture and worse, committed by Mohammedans on the Christians, whom they consider their legitimate prey. The paper quoted also accuses the press generally of neglecting its duty in not exposing to the world these horrible barbarities.

Uncorker of Ocean Bottles.

It is not many years since the high sounding post of uncorker of ocean bottles was abolished in England. News traveled slowly in Queen Elizabeth's time, and the first news she had of the taking of Nova Zembla by the Dutch was found in a bottle picked up by a Deal fisherman named Tonfield, who forwarded the message to the lord high admiral. Queen Elizabeth was struck by the idea and decreed that all bottles with inclosures found on the coast should be forwarded to the lord high admiral, Tonfield being appointed uncorker. The post survived for centuries.

Babies and Sleep.

Infants cannot sleep too long, but may be deprived of needed rest if placed in light rooms or awakened by noises. Nothing so unnerves the child as lack of rest, and the health may be permanently ruined if it does not sleep the fourteen hours or more that it should.

Help Expected.

"Your salary isn't enough to support my daughter."

"I'm glad you've come to that conclusion so early, sir."—Boston Transcript.

Address and Presentation.

Menie Women's Institute met at the home of Mrs. Wm. Lamb on Friday afternoon Jan. 16th 1914, and before the programme began Miss Mabelle Stewart the retiring Secretary was presented on behalf of the Society with a brass jardiniere and an ebony toilet set by Mrs. John Parks while Mrs. Jas. Moire read the following address to which Miss Stewart feelingly replied.

Dear Miss Stewart,—

To-day, we the members of Menie Women's Institute have gathered here with mingled feelings of gladness and sadness.

We are glad of this opportunity of meeting again as an unbroken Society but we realize the time has come when a break must be made and we must say "Good-bye."

Nevertheless the thought cheers us that although we be far apart in miles we will always remain very near in loving thoughts, because Miss Stewart you were always so willing, so untiring in your efforts for the good of our Society, always ready for whatever your hand found to do, and not letting your left hand know what your right hand did, that we cannot help but feel that the welfare of Menie Institute will always be of vital importance to you.

We feel your removal to a new field would be irreparable were it not for the good example you have always shown us, by always doing so willingly and well everything that fell to your lot, and by so doing teaching us to look up, lift up and lend a hand. We trust your work began with us, shall continue to grow and flourish in your new field. And we pray God, that his richest blessing rest on all your labors.

In asking you to accept this toilet set and jardiniere, we trust the daily use of the former and the sight of the latter shall ever remind you of our sincere thanks for your duties so faithfully discharged, and our good wishes for your future journey through life, and pray God we shall so live that we may all meet again where partings are no more.

Signed on behalf of the Institute.

Mrs. C. U. Clancy
President.
Mrs. J. M. Oddie
Vice-President.

Do not fail to hear Miss Florence Mac Neil, soprano soloist, at the Library Concert Tuesday evenining in the Opera House.

Harold

On the evening of Dec. 10th a very pleasant evening was spent at the home of Mr Earle Baileys when about about eighty friends and neighbors gathered together and took possession of his home and bringing with them the usual supply of good things to eat.

After all had been called to order Mr. Robt. Cook M.P.P. read the following address—

To Mr. and Mrs. Earle Bailey,—

We your friends and neighbors having learned with regret that you intend to remove from our midst wish to take this opportunity of expressing the pleasure we have always felt in our associations with you.

To you Earle who have spent your life from childhood among us, we want to say that you have always been regarded as one who worthily represented one of the oldest and most honorable names in this district, and to you Mrs. Bailey we wish to acknowledge that although a few years ago you came among us a stranger, yet tonight we realize that in that short time you have so won the respect and the affection of all, that in leaving us now our earnest hope will be that in your new home you will find just as true friends as you leave at Harold.

We ask you both to accept these chairs as a little token of the kindly feelings which this community will always feel for you and yours.

To little Florence and Irene we wish to present these bibles and we know of no better wish we could wish for your future happiness than to express the hope that as you grow into Womanhood you will develope the same kindly disposition and cherish the same ideals which in your mother has made her respected and beloved by all.

Signed Blake Faulkner
Hubbard Sine.

Mr. and Mrs. Bailey responded in a few well chosen words.

Speeches were also made by a number of other gentlemen present.

After an enjoyable evening was spent all joined in singing "God be with you till we meet again."

A number took in Anniversary services at Spring Brook on Sunday to hear Rev. R. McCulloch our former Pastor.

Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Carleton of Plainfield were the guests of her sisters Mrs. George and Earle Bailey on Sunday last.

Messrs. Correll and Benton are holding services here in the Town Hall.

Mr. M. McGuire of Thorold has been visiting his brother Mr. Chas. McGuire.

Personal And Social.

Miss Mabel Harrison and Mr Stanley Minnis of Belleville spent Sunday with Miss Bessie Ashley.

Miss Bessie Ashley spent a few days last week in Deseronto.

Miss Gertude Keegan left on Tuesday to visit friends at Toronto, Wiarton and Owen Sound.

Announcement,—Mrs. J. T. Cook begs to announce her reception day for this month as Friday Jan. 30th instead of Jan. 23rd.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Aker now of Frankford were in the village for a few hours on Saturday last.

You will forget all your woes and disappointments when you hear Miss Pearl O' Neil, the humorous Entertainer of the Ontario Ladies Quartette at the Opera House Tuesday Evening. Aid of the Public Library.

CARD OF THANKS

Mrs M. S. Elliott and family desire to express sincere thanks to the many friends in Stirling and vicinity, for their very great kindness and sympathy during the recent bereavement of an only son and brother.

EMERSON'S FAILING MEMORY.

He Was Conscious of It, but His Amiability Never Wavered.

I had as a fellow guest a man who had long been intimate with Emerson and whom the poet was very glad to see. Talking with me after tea in the library, Emerson said:

"I want to tell you about a friend in Germany. His name I cannot remember," and he moved to and fro uneasily in his effort to recall it. "This friend with whom we have taken tea tonight, whose name also I cannot remember"—here again came a distressed look at the failure of his faculty—"I cannot remember his name either, but he can tell you of this German friend whose name I have also forgotten."

It was a sorrow to see the breaking down of a great spirit and his agitation as he was conscious of his waning power. And yet, so far as I could see, it was only the memory that was going. The intellectual strength was still apparent and the amiability of his spirit was perhaps even more manifest than in the years when he was in the full possession of himself.

This came out in little things. He was overanxious at the table lest the hospitality should come short, troubled about the supply of butter and apple sauce, and soon after I saw him on his knees on the hearth taking care that the fire should catch the wood to abate the evening coolness that was gathering in the room.—From "The Last Leaf," by J. K. Hosmer.

UNCONSCIOUS OF FAME.

Grote, the Famous Historian, Was a Man of Great Simplicity.

George Grote, the famous author of the "History of Greece," long the standard on that subject, was a man of great simplicity and was wholly unconscious of his own celebrity. Several anecdotes illustrative of this fact are given in "Some Famous Women of Wit and Beauty," one of whom is Mrs. Grote.

While Mr. Grote was walking in the park he would perhaps notice that one or two persons looked at him with some attention. He would at once turn to his wife in alarm.

"Have I got any dirt on my face, Harriet? Is there anything the matter with my hat?" and he would clutch his headgear with both hands. "Why are those people looking at me?"

Mrs. Grote's proud answer was, "Because you are George Grote, that's all!"

Once when he was on a visit to Cambridge Grote wished to see the professor of natural history, but was told that the professor was so busy dissecting something that he could not be interrupted, "strong magnifying power, powerful light, shirt sleeves up, cannot be bothered with anybody." The modest historian would have retired, but his wife persisted that it was Mr. Grote who wished to see the professor.

"What?" he cried. "Mr. Grote? Give me my coat. I must wash my hands." In a minute he had transformed himself and would not let them go for two hours.

Animals Don't Need Eyes.

Animals do not depend upon their eyesight in the same way as human beings. Cats and dogs could get along very well without eyes. A cat can find her way with the aid of her whiskers. These are the same width as her body and connected with nerves which cause her to feel the slightest touch.

Dogs can be entirely guided by their sense of smell. Blind dogs have been known to scent and find their way to the most inaccessible places. Their hearing is also preternaturally sharp.

Rats can see very little and depend chiefly upon their noses, muscles, touch and hearing. In the case of most animals the senses of smell and touch are more highly developed than that of sight, and they do not require to depend upon their sight nearly as much as do human beings in regard to safety.—London Globe.

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FORESTRY FACTS.

Mr. R. H. Campbell, Director of Forestry, who recently returned from a tour of inspection of the Dominion Forest Reserves in the West, says: "Unquestionably the work there is in better shape this year than ever before." Not only have fire-fighting facilties, such as trails, look-out stations, telephone lines, tool-caches and fireguards, been very much improved, but the construction of good roads has made the pleasure-resorts in these reserves more accessible to the public.

The larch, or "tamarack," of eastern Canada will soon be commercially extinct. Already, according to Dr. Gordon Hewitt, the Dominion Entomologist, its enemy, the large larch sawfly has destroyed between fifty and one hundred per cent of the eastern larch. This insect pest was introduced into the United States from Europe about 1881, and having few natural enemies in America, has spread over the whole eastern half of the continent. It is doubtful whether it will be brought under control.

Many cases of the Indians' wastefulness with game have been noted in the West. One Dominion Forest Surveyor writes; "The Indians slaughter an enormous number of moose, of which they waste over a half. Often they take away only the hide, while they seldom take away more than the hind quarters."

Have you secured your seats for the Library concert on Tuesday evening Jan. 27th Miss Kathleen Wallis the celebrated violinist of the Ontario Ladies Quartette will be there. Plan of Hall at Morton's Drug Store.

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AFTER EFFECTS OF DREADED LA GRIPPE

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You can get these health-renewing Pills through any medicine dealer or by mail post paid at 50 cents a box or six boxes for $2.50 from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

DRIVEN BY RADIUM.

A Hint of an Age When Substance May Become a Fuel.

An era when radium might be used as fuel for ships and motor cars was hinted at by C. E. S. Phillips at the Cancer hospital in London recently, says the London Chronicle.

"I am not saying this with any seriousness," he remarked with a smile; but an experiment he carried out—one of a series in the course of his lecture—indicated that there was foundation for his observation. In solution radium decomposes water, giving off an explosive mixture of gases. Mr. Phillips produced these gases, and by fusing them with an electric spark created a current of air which drove a small fan.

Another experiment described was a "sporting event," as the lecturer was doubtful whether he could encompass it. In practice it was very successful. From the stage along the roof ran a glass tubing, 25 feet in length, connected with a tube of zinc sulphide. The lights were turned down and in the darkness radium emanations were pumped through the tubing, and in an instant the sulphide was glowing luminously while the audience—many of whom were medical men—loudly applauded.

Like an ultra-modern conjurer, working with the latest medium, Mr. Phillips achieved other results illustrating the remarkable properties of radium. He took a balloon, and electrifying it with friction from a handkerchief, made it follow his finger about; then he passed a speck of radium in a tube over it and the electricity was gone and the balloon was unresponsive. He produced a blue speck of light which was easily influenced by a magnet. He showed the rays penetrating luminously through an opaque surface.

And as he demonstrated he dropped little items of information which will perhaps be astonishing to the general public, such as:

The Beta rays of radium have a velocity of 180,000 miles per second.

The Alpha rays or helium have a velocity of 18,000 miles per second.

There are 20,000 tons of radium in the sea.

One ton of radium is equal to 1,500,000 tons of coal in point of radio-energy.

A gramme of radium diminishes to half its quantity in 1,750 years; it is slowly giving off energy during that time equal to 3,600 horsepower hours.

In view of the fact, he said, that the exhaustion of the coal supply was put at 200 years, science must begin to look about for some new source of energy. "This," he observed, pointing to a retort stand as an example of hidden possibilities, "may have enough energy to run a steamship across the Atlantic."

RAILROAD FOR ICELAND.

From the Capital to Extend Fifty Miles East.

A million-dollar railroad is to be started in Iceland at an early date, extending from the capital, Reykjavik, in an easterly direction across the plain of Thingvala, a distance of about 58 miles, to the Olfusa bridge. Ultimately it is proposed to extend this line to Thorsjaa, where the line will branch off in two directions, one going to the geysers and the other to Cerbak. The proposed line passes through a rather populous country, and one which is much frequented by tourists. Heretofore the means of traffic in that country have been rather meagre. There are some few carriage roads in the southern part of the country, and a few vehicles are available, but journeys are made generally on pony-back, and in some instances are long and tedious. The country opened up by the new railroad is already an important dairy section, and with the operation of the new line the value of the lands will increase.

HEALTH FOR BABY

To keep the baby healthy and strong his little stomach must be kept sweet and his bowels working regularly—that is the secret of health in little ones. The mother who keeps a supply of Baby's Own Tablets in the house can feel reasonably sure that her little ones are going to escape the results of childhood ailments, for the Tablets instantly relieve and cure such troubles as constipation, indigestion, colds, colic and worms by regulating the stomach and bowels. Concerning them Mrs. Jas. Deroche, Cache Bay, Ont., writes: "I have used Baby's Own Tablets for three years and have always found them the best remedy for little ones." They are sold by medicine dealers or by mail at 25 cents a box from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

SPAIN'S MILK SUPPLY.

Derived Mainly from Goats—Hygienic Dairy Farms.

According to the most recent statistics published here, there are upward of 3,500,000 goats in Spain, writes Consul General Morgan, from Barcelona. In every town of the country bands of these animals are driven through the streets during the early morning and afternoon hours and milked in the presence of the purchaser of the milk. There are few goat dairies in the country where the milk is put up in bottles, but they are of small importance. The entire production is consumed in the country, and only a small portion thereof is made into cheese.

The finest breed of goats and those producing the largest quantity of milk are raised in Murcia province, south of Alicante, whence th ecountry's supply of these animals generally comes. About 60,000 of these animals are slaughtered each year in Barcelona for consumption, and the export of goatskins from Spain in 1912 amounted to 1,797,754 pounds, valued at $573,647.

The goats weigh between 55 and 96 pounds, and the daily average milk given is a little over two quarts per goat. The milk retails at 13.5 to 14.5 cents a quart, according to supply and demand. The animals are fed entirely on dried alfalfa and beans, and the cost of food consumed by each will average about 9 cents a day. The price at which they are sold varies between $20 and $35, according to the size of the goat and the quantity of milk she gives. They live to the age of fifteen or sixteen years and are productive at the second year.

In former years goats' milk was used almost exclusively throughout the country, and even now it is more used than cow's milk, and it is highly recommended for invalids. In Barcelona the consumption has fallen off in recent years on account of the fine hygienic dairy farms which have been established here, these dairies being regarded by competent authorities as among the finest in the world. The cows kept on these farms are imported from Holland, England and Switzerland.

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Mr. Samuel Longmore, of Montreal, says: "Just a word of praise for GIN PILLS. About fifteen months ago I could not walk across my room, suffering severely with Rheumatism. I took GIN PILLS and became quite well. Two months ago, I had Rheumatic Pains with Neuralgia. I resorted to GIN PILLS again for one week and became quite well."

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Wanted Ugliness in Olden Days.

Some bygone housewives appear to have regarded ugliness as a quality to be desired in their servants. When Eliza Coke, daughter of Coke of Norfolk, was about to marry, she wrote to her prospective mother-in-law: "Pray have the goodness to decide as you think best about the pretty housemaid. I wish she were less pretty and less fond of dress; but if her conduct and principles are good neither are really objectionable faults. I think our establishment will be a pattern of morality, particularly if Mr. Stanhope engages the squinting butler and the terrible housemaid he mentioned to me."—London Chronicle.

The Reason.

A little girl of seven or eight years stood one day before a closed gate. A gentleman passed slowly. The little girl turned and said to him:

"Will you please open this gate for me?"

The gentleman did so. Then he said kindly:

"Why, my child, couldn't you open the gate for yourself?"

"Because," said the little girl, "the paint's not dry yet."

Right.

"A girl and things to eat have a good deal in common."

"How's that?"

"If they don't agree with you it's best to keep away, no matter how much you may like 'em."

The Result of Suspicion.

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The corps, to the numbesr of nearly 800 men, are composed entirely of blacks—splendid types of British East Africans, chosen specially for their strength and endurance. These men are commanded by eight British officers. Officially their duty is to patrol the 1,000 miles of coast line from Suez to the Gulf of Aden, to suppress native disorders.

An officer of the Egyptian army who is home in London on furlough, gave some interesting details of the camel corps and its work. "British officers who join the camel corps are men who want excitement and danger and plenty of it," he said. "The official headquarters of the corps are at Cairo, but the men are seldom or ever seen there. They work principally from Aden, but have no set instructions.

Whenever there is trouble or sign of trouble among the native tribes there the camel corps goes. Always they ride with their rifles ready to hand, alert and on the watch for the dusky enemies who know so well how to hide in the desert." The duties of this splendid force are, in fact, analogous to those of the famous Royal Northwest Mounted Police.

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Dartmouth.

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14 Ladies white all wool Sweaters, ranging in price from 1.75 to $3., odd ones slightly soiled clearing the lot at $1.00.

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22 Ladies Suits, regular $16.50 to $20.00 your choice while they last for $12.00 per suit. These suits are all handsomely tailor made coats beautifully satin lined. Sad to see them going at these prices, but we must have the room for Spring Stock.

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As Space will not permit, might say that Bargains will be found through every department.

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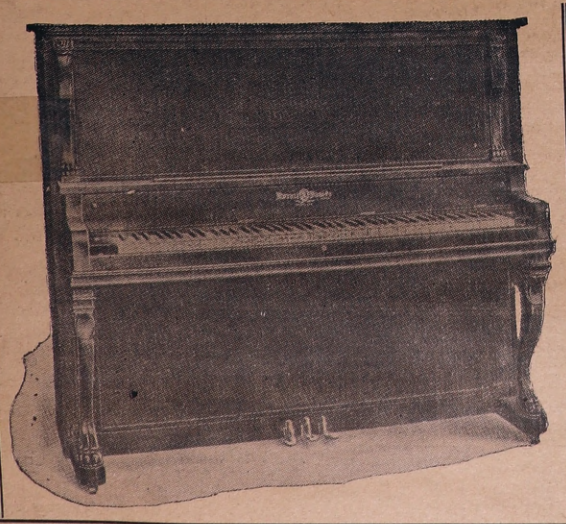

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Spring Brook

Mr. and Mrs. Fitzgerald have returned home after a two weeks visit with friends in Prince Edward County.

The I O O F held their annual entertainment in the Orange Hall here on Jan. 20th and had a good time. The Hall was filled to its utmost. Misses White and Zrazille were the entertainers. The Society made ten dollars and the audience had a hundred dollars worth of fun.

The Rev. Mr. Farewell of Toronto occupied the pulpit here last Sunday his subject was Sunday School and Epworth League work.

P. S. Everybody is grabbing for more money, and almost everybody has enough now to admit them to the station in life for which nature fitted them. We only lack ten cents.

D. H. Tolman, the notorious loan shark, known in many places throughout the United States and Canada for the usurious interest he charged needy borrowers, was sentenced some weeks ago to six months in jail, and has had his application for a pardon refused by the Governor of New York.

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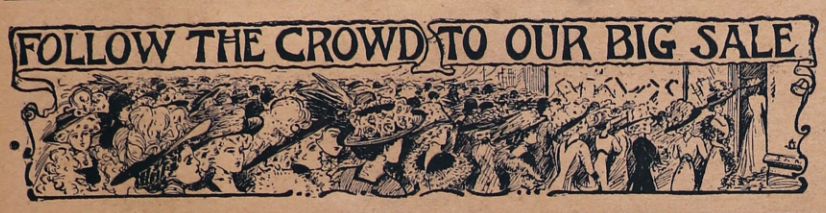

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Rev. W. H. Clarke of Marmora visited friends here last week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Bird spent a couple of days in Wooler last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Findlay Pollard visited friends in Frankford last week. Mr. Pollard's father sails this week for a trip through Scotland and Ireland.

Mr. Harry Juby has been engaged as cheesemaker for the West Huntingdon cheese factory for the coming season. We understand "Harry" is counted one of the best cheesemakers of the day and his friends will be pleased to have him near home.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Eggleton of Marmora spent Sunday with friends here.

Mr. and Mrs. Fitchett entertained a number of friends one evening this week.

Misses Minnie and Hattie Barker visited Mrs. Russell Stapley one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Stapley entertained a few friends last Friday evening.

Mr. Hermann Bennett is still confined to his bed. Dr. Zwick is attending him and we hope to see Hermann around soon.

Several from here attended the funeral of Mr. Hagerman at Holloway on Tuesday.

Rev. E. A. Tonkin spent Tuesday afternoon with friends here.

A number from here attended the concert in Stirling on the 27th.

We are pleased to hear that Mrs. Cooke and Mrs. Peter Reide are able to be around again.

The friends of Mr. and Mrs. Mason Clarke and Mrs. Hattie Clarke are looking forward to the time when they can visit them in Stirling. Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Gay have already many friends here and we hope will feel "right at home."

THE CALL OF EUROPE FOR INTERVENTION IN MEXICO,

It has been authoratively made known in Washington that the Powers of Europe, moved thereto by Mexico's default of interest on her bonds, have again urged positive action by the United States. As recognition of the Huerta Government is no longer practicable, it must be intervention that the Powers have in mind to end the warfare in Mexico, pacify the country preserve property interests and restore industry. There need be no illusion about the matter.

Is it unreasonable to ask why these same Powers are not stopped by their failure to deal vigorously with Turkey and the Balkan allies during the wars of 1912 and 1913 from requiring the United States to intervene in Mexico now? The policy of the Concert was also one of "watchful waiting." None of the parties to it wanted to be drawn into the struggle. A great deal of moral pressure was brought to bear, first upon Turkey, and after the treaty o London upon both Turkey and the allies. What the Concert would not tolerate was proclaimed with threats of armed force by one or more of the Powers, but except the opera bouffe naval blockade of Antivari in the Adriatic there was no pretention of intervention.

Two great wars, the most desolating Europe has known in modern times, were fought in spite of the Powers, which from beginning to end occupied themselves with negotiations often futile and sometimes farcial. Even after the treaty of London, signed May 30, 1913, was torn up and the Balkan League disrupted the Powers took no active measures to prevent a collision between Bulgaria and her late allies, Greece and Servia, while Turkey was permitted to recapture Adrianople and push her stipulated boundary line further north and west. Even now war between Greece and Turkey is imminent over islands in the Aegean. Scores of thousands of combatants and non-combatants, and no doubt many "nationals" were killed in the Balkan wars, and an incalculable amount of property was destroyed. What was the effect upon the value of bonds issued by Turkey, also by the allies, before the great devastation? Can it be denied that Americans held Turkish bonds and also had property interests in Adrianople and elsewhere in the arena of conflict?

The request or demand that the United States intervene in a civil war in Mexico insignificant by comparison comes with a bad grace from European Powers that allowed the slaughter in the Balkans to go on for fear they might be involved themselves.

GOVERNMENT RESERVES WATER-POWER SITES

Consistent with the policy of the Dominion Government to preserve the water powers for the people, the Department of the Interior is placing under reservation all vacant Dominion land that the Superintendent of Water Powers may recommend to be valuable for the developement of water power.

Six whole sections of land, in township 108, range 6, west of the 5th meridian, have recently been reserved from disposition of any kind until the engineers of the Water Power Branch have had an opportunity to make a complete survey of the famous power site at Vermillion falls, on the Peace river in northern Alberta.

Similar reservations have been made on the various rivers in the provinces of Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta, and in the Railway Belt of British Columbia. Particular mention might be made of reservations covering land contiguous to Grand rapids on the Athbaska river, the various power sites on the Elbow and the Bow rivers in the province of Alberta; for land required for the developement of power at Grand rapids on the Saskatchewan river, and all unoccupied land along the Winnipeg river, in the province of Manitoba.

Other reservations will be made from time to time upon the receipt of sufficient information to enable the Superintendent of Water Powers to make a definite recommendation covering a description of the land that might be required for power purposes.

May the good work proceed.

Hoard's

(Late for last week.)

Mrs. Wm. Haig entertained a number of ladies at a quilting party on Wednesday.

Mrs. Jas. Haig is with her mother Mrs. Bell, Campbellford.

Gertrude Haig and Alice Rannie spent part of last week the guests of Alex. Hoard.

Sam McMullen of S. H. S. spent the week end with his friend Frank Heagle.

Miss Miller is visiting her sister Mrs. A. H. Parr.

Mr. Jas. Jeffs, Campbellford, is the guest of his son Fred Jeffs.

Mrs. Totten Williams, Consecon, visited relatives here this week.

Mrs. C. U. Clancey, Mrs. Israel Clancey, and Mrs. John Parks were guests of Mrs. Wm. Rannie Menie, on Friday last.

Jessie and Alice Whitton spent Saturday with Irene Clancey.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Williams left on Saturday for North Port and Napanee.

Mr. Tice of Saskatoon was a recent visitor at his brother-in-law's Hector Whitton.

Merle Spencer spent Sunday with Wilbur Johnson Mt. Pleasant.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Linn spent Monday in Murray– Mrs. Linn will spend a few days with her mother Mrs. Geo. Acker.

Mr. and Mrs. Truman Bailey, Stirling, spent Sunday at the home of Mr. Henry Wescott.

There was no church service here Sunday evening, Mr. Winters of Campbellford was to have been in charge but owing to the inclemency of the weather could not be present.

(This Week)

Mr. and Mrs. C. U. Clancy entertained a number of friends on Thursday evening last.

Mr. Bunner, nephew of Mr. Bunner of the Seymour circuit has been engaged as teacher at Masson School.

Miss Alice Rannie spent Wednesday with Gertie Haig.

Mr. and Mrs. Lindsay Watson and children and Mary Taylor were guests of Fred Jeffs on Thursday evening.

Miss Alex Hoard is spending a couple of weeks in Belleville the guest of her cousin.

Mr. and Mrs. George Hagerman spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Jeffs.

Mr. Wallace Hoard spent Thursday last in Belleville.

Mr. George Acker of Murray visited at Mr. W. E. Linn's on Friday.

Sorry to hear Mr. Hector Whitton had the misfortune of falling and hurting his shoulder.

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Obituary

Case Hagerman one of the oldest residents of the County died very suddenly on Sunday night. He had formerly been a resident of West Huntingdon, but a short time ago he gave up his farm there to his son, and purchased a fine residence and small farm in Sidney, where he and his daughter have since resided.

She was married the Wednesday before his death, and at the time was away on her wedding tour. The funeral took place on Tuesday.

Austria's fourth dreadnought was launched at Fiume on Jan. 17th and named the 'Szent Istvan' by the Archduchess Maria Theresa, representing Emperor Francis Joseph. A distinguished gathering witnessed the ceremony.

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A Dark Shadow;

Or, A Coming Vengeance

CHAPTER XXIX.—(Continued).

Lady Edith gripped her by the shoulders as she knelt, and, bending forward, looked into the dark, glowing eyes with an expression which reflected that in them.

"Are you sure, are you sure?" she panted. "Can you—can you reach him—reach her——" She caught her breath. "Can you make him suffer—through her? What am I saying? What could we do? And if we could——No, no, let him go—! And yet—that girl—a common girl!"

Sara's distorted face twisted into a smile; she laughed, a low, harsh laugh, and nodded two or three times with an expression of vindictive triumph.

"Can I not, dearie?" she hissed. "You shall see. And sealing, you shall be satisfied. Yes; satisfied. He calm, missie; possess your soul in patience. You will not have long to wait. Sara promises you that—Sara, who nursed you on her bosom, Sara who knows how to strike when her beloved one is hurt, and wounded to the heart."

But Lady Edith scarcely heeded or head: or did she?

CHAPTER XXX.

Clive did not go round to Grosvenor Square that night, for he felt that he could not meet Lady Edith, and play his part in what had become a tragedy, with Mina's voice still ringing in his ears, the remembrance of her tears, the touch of her hand, so keen and vivid. He worked at his office up to a very late hour, and, of course, got very little sleep during what remained of the night, or, rather, the early morning.

He was at his office again a little after ten, and looked so fagged and wan that his secretary was moved to remonstrate.

"You're rushing on to a breakdown, Mr. Harvey," he said. "I know the signs very well; I saw them in Mr. Mervyn—Mr. Mervyn was a former Home Secretary—he just looked as you look, and he wouldn't listen to any of us when we warned him; but he had to cave in: he had a very bad time."

Clive laughed indifferently. "I'm stronger than I look, my dear fellow," he said; "but thank you all the same. I'll knock off for a bit when we get through this present batch of work."

The secretary had scarcely gone off with his pile of letters when Lord Chesterleigh was announced; and the moment he entered the room Clive saw that something was the matter.

"Edith?" he said, apprehensively.

"Yes; it's Edith," responded Lord Chesterleigh. "She is not well—there is no cause for alarm, my dear Clive—she was taken ill last night. I sent for Sir Andrew as soon as I could this morning; and he said that she was suffering from some strain, that it was a kind of nervous collapse, and that she must remain quiet, and see no one. He added that she ought to go out of town, up North somewhere; and Edith took it into her head to start for Scotland."

"To Scotland!" echoed Clive. "Do you mean that she is already gone?"

"Yes," replied Lord Chesterleigh gravely. "She insisted upon going at once; she would not let me send for you or even let you know. I have just taken her to the station."

Clive rose, and paced up and down with a troubled air at the mass of work on his table. "It is impossible for me to go to her," he said.

"She knows that," Lord Chesterleigh said quickly; "and she does not wish you to. Don't be hurt, my dear boy. Sir Andrew thinks it would be better for her to be quite alone for a little while." He paused a moment. "You know Edith, Clive. She is—is different from most girls. I was going to say that she is peculiar; but that is not the word. You know how highly strung she is, how sensitive, and, for all her apparent calmness and self-possession, how easily and deeply she is moved. The strain at the election, poor Dolph's death, the postponement of the wedding—they have, to use a common but expressive phrase, got on her nerves. She has gone to our shooting box—it is something more than a box—at Talnymuir, and there she will be quiet, absolutely quiet, and well looked after."

"She will have Sara with her," murmured Clive thoughtfully.

"No; she has not taken Sara; for some reason or other she did not wish to have her; but she has taken her maid, who is almost as devoted to her as Sara is. There is nothing to be alarmed about; or, of course, I should not have let her go, or should have gone with her. As it is, I shall run up as soon as I can get away." He was Foreign Secretary again, of course. He sighed. "One hears a great deal about 'the sweets of office,' and we fellows who are 'in' are envied by those who know nothing about it." He looked at the table laden with papers and letters. "Here are we two slaving as City clerks never have slaved; and all the thanks we shall get at the end of our term will be vituperation and abuse. Even at this moment I know that I must not keep you; and, indeed, I must go back to my own den."

"I'll write to Edith at once," said Clive in a low voice.

Lord Chesterleigh turned, with his hand upon the door. "Yes, do. But don't be alarmed or worried if she should not reply quickly; for she told me, just as the train started, that Sir Andrew said she was not to write letters or worry about anything."

Clive nodded, and sat down to his work again. He was distressed by Edith's illness; but, with a sense of guilt and shame, he was conscious of a feeling of relief. He wrote to her; but he tore up the beginning of two letters; and he knew that the third which he finished was, for all his protestations of grief at her illness and their parting, cold and forced. No reply came to this letter, but on the third day—he was dining at Grosvenor Square—Lord Chesterleigh told him that he had had a letter from Edith.

She was better; she would write to Clive presently; and he was on no account to go to her.

Lord Chesterleigh and he spent a quiet hour or two, then Clive started for the House. As he was passing through the dining-room Sara entered the hall. She stood aside to let him pass as usual, and salaamed profoundly.

"I am glad to hear that your mistress is better, Sara," he said.

She raised her eyes, almost hidden by the thin silken shawl, and said, in her smooth voice:

"Yes; she is better, sahib; she will be quite well soon—if she is left quite alone. The sahib knows that, and will not go to her."

Clive frowned slightly; for there was a note of familiarity, of insolence, in the woman's voice which jarred upon him.

"I am surprised that you are not with your mistress, Sara," he said.

She threw out her hands; then crossed them meekly on her bosom.

"It is cold where my lady has gone; and your servant feels the cold, sahib."

Clive passed on, and left the house. As he did so, he remembered he wanted some papers which he had left on his table at Burleigh Street; and he took a cab, and told the man to drive quickly. He ran up the stairs, and opened the door sharply; but stopped dead short, for he was confronted by the weird figure of Tibby. Her face was white, her hat awry, and she was evidently in a state of terrible agitation.

"Tibby!" he exclaimed. "Why——!"

She broke in upon him with a cry half-threatening, half-imploring:

"Where is she?" she demanded fiercely. "Where is she? What have you done with her? I've searched for in your room. She's not here—you needn't tell me that. What have you done with her?"

Clive's heart sank with a terrible foreboding.

"Do you mean Mina, Tibby?" he asked.

"O' course, I mean Mina!" she retorted. "No lies! I want her, I want her at once! You have spirited her away somewhere."

Clive set his teeth hard; fear, dread of—new not what, threatened to overwhelm him. Mina was lost, perhaps in danger—of what?—and it behoved him to retain his calm, to command all his faculties to meet the case. He pulled himself together, and laid his hand on Tibby's shoulder.

"You think I have spirited Mina away, Tibby!" he said. "Look in my face. You know that I have not done so, that I do not know where she is. Be calm, Tibby—it's easy to give way; I myself could give way, but we must not do so; for we want all our wits, all our courage."

She had shaken his hand from her shoulder; but she had obeyed his command, and had looked into his eyes; and she knew that he was speaking the truth. Her lips quivered, and her eyes filled with tears, but she dashed them away fiercely.

"Where is she, then?" she demanded. "I'm frightened out o' my life."

She was shaking violently. Clive gently forced her into a chair, poured out some wine, and insisted, with a gesture, on her drinking it.

"Now, tell me everything," he said. "Mind! Everything."

Gulping down a sob and struggling for her words, Tibby said:

"She went away this arternoon. She was alone there—father had gone to see after a place in a band, and I was at the factory. When I got home to tea I found she'd gone. She had left a letter for me—I saw at once it was a spoof, though it deceived her. For why? because she'd go to the end of the earth if she thought you were in trouble, and wanted her."

"In trouble? Wanted her!" Clive cried. "The note, Tibby, the note!—Ah, don't say that you've not brought it, girl!"

"I've brought it right enough," Tibby said chokingly, as she produced it.

CHAPTER XXXI.

Clive almost snatched the note from Tibby's hand. It was written on half a sheet of notepaper, and consisted only of a few lines. He read them aloud through his clenched teeth:

"Mr. Harvey has met with an accident, and is badly hurt. He has sent for me and I must go—you know I must go, Tibby! I am so afraid, in such dread, that I can scarcely write. I will come back as soon as possible, or send for you. Oh, Tibby, if he should be badly hurt, dying!"

Clive folded the note, and put it in his waistcoat pocket next his heart.

"I did not send for her," he said, almost to himself. "Who can have done it—with what motive?"

"I knew you wasn't hurt," said Tibby. "You wouldn't have sent for her and frightened her if you had been; but I thought it was a plant to get her to come to you."

Clive began to pace up and down the room; but he knew that he must remain absolutely calm, and he sat down again.

"And you came to me at once, Tibby? Quite right! Don't be frightened. She cannot be in any danger: how can she? It is some foolish trick, some practical joke." But even as he spoke he knew that the explanation was a feeble one. "Is it possible to find out how she got the supposed message from me?"

"A messenger boy brought it," replied Tibby sharply. "Of course, I asked the landlady and Amelia Gertrude—that's the slavey. A messenger boy came with it. He must have brought a letter; but if he did, she took it with her."

Clive stifled a groan. "If she had only left it, if she had only said in her note where she was going!" he said. "Is there no other clue? Think, think! Every little thing, any little incident, that may be connected however indirectly—have you noticed any strangers about the Rents?"

Tibby made an impatient gesture. "There's always strangers going in and out; an' I don't take no notice o' 'em. Why should I?" She was silent a moment, then she looked up with an acute expression on her shrewd face. "Stop! There was that man, that dirty furrin chap that helped to bash you at the all that night—I saw him croesing the archway—why, it was the day I met you, and let you go to Mina."

"Koshki!" said Clive.

"Yes," assented Tibby. "An' come to speaking of furriners, there was a kind of Italian woman or a Indian, an old woman wrapped up in shawls like, with gold ear-rings; I've seen her once or twice, and I saw her walking on the other side of the road to Koshki; but they didn't speak to each other."

"Sara!" murmured Clive inaudibly.

The introduction of Sara into the affair only served to complicate and intensify the mystery. And yet—could it be possible that she was concerned in the abduction? Abduction! To the generality of people the word would have sounded an extravagant one, one savoring of melodrama and the far-fetched; but Clive knew enough of the dark side of London life to be aware that not only abduction but murder itself was often committed, and that in some cases neither the crime nor the criminals were disclosed. Men and women disappeared almost daily and were never discovered. Sometimes a body was found floating down towards the mouth of the Thames or lying under a hedgerow in a remote country place. Sometimes one of the quiet and innocent-looking foreign barques which sailed from the port of London carried a drugged man, hidden away under the hatches. All large cities have their dark and hidden crimes; and no city has such mysterious slums, such infernos of vice, such dens of infamy, as London.

His heart sank with fear, and yet it throbbed with a sense of fury; but he maintained an show of composure; for Tibby's eyes were on him, full of pathetic anxiety and a nameless terror.

"We will go down to the Rents," he said. "Some one may have seen something. We may obtain some clue."

They went down in a cab, and while Tibby ran upstairs in the vain hope of finding Mina there, or some message from her, Clive looked about him almost as hopelessly. He had kept the cab waiting at the archway, and half a dozen urchins were larking round it and chaffing the cabman.

One boy, older than the rest, was especially impudent, and the cabman flicked at him with the whip, and said severely:

"Ain't you never seen a decent cab afore, you young savages? I s'pose you ain't, an' it's a regular treat for you."

"Garn!" yelled the boy. "Why, we've got a cabman as lives here, an' keeps 'is orse in that stable." He kicked his leg in the direction of a shed. "An', wot's more, he's just gorne off on a job with a young lidy."

The blood rushed to Clive's face, and he turned away so that the cabman and the boys should not observe the excitement, the wild excitement of hope which he knew displayed itself in his face. Then he sauntered towards the group, lounged against the archway for a minute or two, and, eventually catching the boy's eye, nodded to him.

The boy looked afraid at first; but Clive nodded again, and held up a shilling, and, after a time, the boy sidled towards him.

"Look here," said Clive, drawing him apart, "I'll give you this and another one on the top of it, if you'll tell me where the young lady told the cabman to drive her."

The boy eyed the shilling hungrily, but his face fell.

"Wish I could, guv'nor," he said; "but I dunno. I see her start; but she didn't give no orders; she seemed flustered and upset, an' she 'anded up a paper to Bill, the cabman."

Clive's heart sank again. "I suppose he won't come back? He'll go on the crawl?" he said.

"No," replied the boy 'cutely; "he'll come back 'ere, 'cos he's a day cab, an' he puts 'is 'orse up early."

Almost as he spoke, Clive heard the sound of wheels. He dropped half a crown into the boy's hand, and went quickly to the archway. A seedy and ramshackle cab drove in, and Clive went up to it. He saw at a glance that the driver was drunk; and forcing himself to some degree of patience, he waited until the man had lurched off his perch before addressing him.

"Had a long drive?" he said pleasantly and casually.

The cabman stared at him, then smiled and winked knowingly.

"Ra—ther, guv'nor," he replied.

"And you left the young lady there?" said Clive in a matter-of-fact way.

"I did," responded the man. "Took her to her friend as was waiting for her. An' a very nice and liberal cove he was. 'Tain't ortten a pore cabby has such a good drink stood 'im. An' no 'aggling over the fare, neither," he added unctuously. "Rum kind o' place to take a young lady. But there! It's no business o' mine! Queer cattle, women, mister."

"They are," assented Clive with a laugh. "Come round the corner, and have a drink."

He led the way to the public-house, and called for a small whisky and a large soda. The cabman stared at him with tipsy surprise.

"If you was to order a sponge and a piece of soap as well, guv'nor, I might have a bath," he said derisively.

He took a gulp of the sobering mixture, and Clive waited with a brain on fire until it was finished; then he said slowly and gravely:

"Pull yourself together, my man. I want to know where you took that young lady." The cabman set down his glass, and stared resentfully at Clive; but his gaze softened as Clive drew a five-pound note from his pocket-book and laid it on the counter. "Pick it up, and put it in your pocket," he said; "and take me to the place at which you left your fare. I'll discharge you there, and you can drive away as if the business no further concerned you. Refuse, and you'll find yourself in serious trouble."

The man stretched his brows, and shook himself as if with an effort to throw off the fumes of liquor, and taking the note, carefully folded it, and put it in his pocket.

"Hanged if I didn't think there was something wrong about it," he said. "Jump in, guv'nor. I'll take you right enough. You're a 'tec, I suppose? But mind! I don't take no hand in this. I drives you to the place, and I drives orf again; no questions asked, no questions answered. Is that stright?"

"That's stright," said Clive. "I'll be ready in less than one minute."

He ran up to Tibby's room, white and breathless.

"I have found out where they have taken her, Tibby!" he said. "No; I can't wait to tell you! There's not a moment to lose. Remain here. I'll bring her back to you, please God!"

As he got into the cab he gave the man a sovereign and told him to drive quickly. They went eastward. To Clive the way seemed interminable; and his heart sank lower and lower as they left the large and respectable thoroughfares, and began to pierce into the dingy slums of the far east.

(To be continued.)

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The first occasion on which Sir Joseph was chosen to represent the Canadian Government in the entertainment of guests of State was in 1901, when our present King and Queen visited us as the Duke and Duchess of Cornwall and York. Everyone remembers how successful that tour was, and in its success Mr. Pope, as he then was, had a large part. It was for his services at that time that he received his first mark of royal favor and entered the order of St. Michael and St. George as a Companion.

Five years later he accompanied Prince Arthur of Connaught on his tour through the Dominion, and in 1908 he was selected to receive Prince Fushimi of Japan on his visit to this country. In connection with the visit of Prince Arthur, Mr. Pope had bestowed upon him the Imperial Service Order, while the Japanese Government recognized his services to Prince Fushimi by conferring on him the Order of the Sacred Treasure of the second class. In the same year as the latter he was made a companion of the Victorian Order by the King because of his assistance in the organization of the tercentenary at Quebec. His elevation to knighthood came in the New Year's honors of 1912.

This tells the story of how Sir Joseph came to bear so many titles, but it does not by any means tell the story of the part he has played in the history of Canada. He has represented the Canadian people around the Council Board in a number of big diplomatic issues. He was attached to the staff of the British agent in the Behring Sea arbitration of 1893; and had a part in securing protection for the interests of Canadian sealers. He was agent of the Canadian Government in the Joint High Commission which sat in Quebec and Washington during the early years of the Administration of Sir Wilfrid Laurier. He was associate secretary of the Alaskan Boundary tribunal. He accompanied Hon. Rodolphe Lemieux on his mission to Japan, which resulted in the limitation of Japanese immigration to the Dominion. And just two years ago, he again represented Canada in the international conference on pelagic sealing, which advanced the work begun in the Behring Sea arbitration.

This bare catalogue of some of the salient national affairs in which he has played a part is in itself an advertisement that there is a hinterland in "Joe" Pope's life which must supply explanation. And assuredly the present Under Secretary of State for External Affairs

Sir Joseph Pope.

comes from a vigorous stock. He is a native of Prince Edward Island, where he was born on August 16, 1854. His father was the Hon. William Henry Pope, who was one of the Fathers of Confederation, and his uncle, Hon. J. C. Pope, was Minister of Marine and Fisheries in the Cabinet of Sir John Macdonald. Pope the younger came into the Dominion service in 1878, and was for a few years a clerk and private secretary to his uncle. Then he entered the service of Sir John, and made for himself a name as the private secretary par excellence in the history of Canadian Government.

For a time after Sir John's death he remained in the Privy Council office, but in 1896 was made permanent head of the department of the Secretary of State. Here he had controy of such widely different functions of Government as the management of the printing bureau, the issue of charters to companies, and the issue of passports to Canadians travelling abroad. When the new department of External Affairs was created in 1909, he was placed at its head; and it is largely his own creation. This department it is which handles all relations with the Imperial and with foreign Governments; and all correspondence relating to these matters passes through Sir Joseph's hands. He is now directly responsible for the discharge of his duties to the Premier, who is the political head of the department.

Of all Sir Joseph's services to Canada, perhaps the greatest is the preparation of the "Life of Sir John A. Macdonald." It will always remain a classic among Canadian biographies, because of the intimate light it sheds upon the political life of the Dominion. A companion piece to it is a collection of Confederation documents, including a diary of the Quebec conference, which is indispensable to the man who wants to know how we came to be. Sir Joseph Pope's labors as a public servant, valuable though they are, may be forgotten. His services as the literary executor of Sir John A. Macdonald are a permanent part of the life of Canada.—Francis Carman in Toronto Star Weekly.

TEST OF SURGEON'S NERVE

OPERATIONS PERFORMED UNDER TRYING CONDITIONS.

Cool Work of Doctors in Hospital While Building Was Afire.

A few weeks ago a workman engaged on the top of the roof of a tall building at Springfield, Mass., dislocated his shoulder. It was impossible to bring him down, so a surgeon climbed up, and, coolly sitting astride a girder, hundreds of feet above the crowded street, proceeded to chloroform the injured man and reduce the dislocation.

To the man in the street the skill of the surgeon is always something of a miracle. To carve living flesh with steady hand and sure eye, to secure each streaming vein, to remove diseased organs, and then to mend up the wound so perfectly that hardly a scar remains, seems to him to require almost superhuman skill.

Supreme Test.

And there is no doubt but that a big operation calls for the very highest qualities that man possesses. Even in the perfectly lit and perfectly appointed operating theatres of a great hospital, with every possible aid at hand that modern science commands, the task is a severe one.

Yet often and often the surgeon is called upon to perform operations without any such aids, and then the ordeal may be almost as severe for doctor as it is for patient.

For instance, in a railway accident. One raw winter morning, two years ago, a passenger alighting in a hurry from a train at the little station of Earlestown, near Warrington, slipped and fell between the still moving train and the platform.

A doctor, summoned in haste, found that the only possible method of extricating the unfortunate man was to amputate one of his legs.

Instruments were fetched, and as it was not yet daylight, a ring of porters stood round with station lanterns, while other persons struck matches to assist the surgeon.

What made the horrible business more terrible was the fact that it was impossible to give the injured man chloroform. He remained conscious all through the operation.

In spite of the cramped position in which the surgeon was compelled to work, and the lack of light and appliances, the operation was quickly and successfully finished, and the sufferer removed to a hospital.

Operating Under Fire.

Often in war time surgeons have had to operate on the battlefield, sometimes actually under fire. But it was under fire of a different sort that two doctors performed an operation at the hospital at Biddeford, in the State of Maine. The operation was to remove an internal ulcer, but five minutes after they had begun it was discovered that the hospital was afire.

To move the patient was to kill her. The surgeons stuck to their work. The roar of flames was plainly heard, and the hiss of water from the fire hose. Presently water began to pour through the roof and pieces of wet plaster to fall thudding to the floor. The nurses put up umbrellas and held them over the patient and the doctors. No one dreamed of moving until all was finished and the wound sewn up. Then the patient was removed to a place of safety.

In February, 1911, a similar case occurred at the West London Hospital, but here the fire broke out just before the operation was begun, so there was time to remove the man to another department.

CHIPS WITH THE BARK ON.

No man is rich who does not think he is.

The man of few words often keeps them busy.

It is pleasant to have a square man 'round.

It is becoming orthodox to oppose orthodoxy.

Remember the fate of the steak that is tough—it is made into hash.

Her Long Suit.

"Mrs. Jinks says she never can tell what any of the neighbors will do next."

"Well, she loses no time in telling what they did last."

That's What They Do.

"Have you ever noticed one odd thing about blunt people?"

"What is that?"

"They are the ones who generally come to the point."

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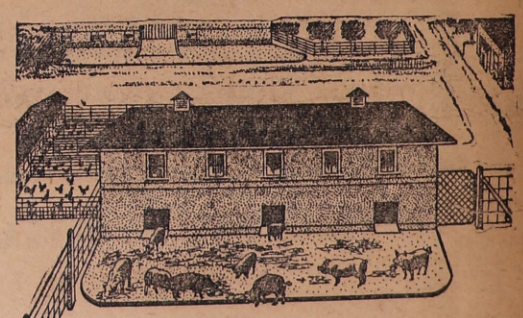

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HOME

Dishes Prepared With Eggs.

Eggs With Brown Butter.—Melt three tablespoons of butter in the blazer, cooking it until it is a dark brown. If you like the flavor of onion you may put eight or ten drops of onion juice with the butter. Break as many eggs as you wish or the chafing dish will hold, side by side, putting each one in a saucer by itself so that the yolk and the white may not mix, and sliding it from the saucer into the blazer. Dip the butter up with a spoon and pour over the eggs. Just before you take up the eggs, after they are set, add a small teaspoonful of vinegar to the sauce, sprinkle the eggs with pepper and salt, and serve on toast or crackers.

Eggs Poached in Milk.—Heat a cup of milk in the chafing dish over hot water, and when it is scalding slip eggs into it as directed in the foregoing recipe, breaking each egg into a saucer. Baste the eggs with hot milk and cook until the whites are set. Then take out carefully and lay on slices of hot buttered toast. This may be moistened with a little of the milk in which the eggs were cooked. An added touch of savoriness is given to this dish by spreading each piece of toast lightly with anchovy paste. When this is done use no salt on the eggs.

Fricasseed Eggs, I.—Fry half a teaspoon of minced onion in a tablespoon of butter in your blazer, stir into this a tablespoon of flour, and pour upon it a cup of soup stock or gravy. Stir until this blends with the butter and flour in a smooth sauce. Have ready three or four eggs which you have previously boiled hard, and cut into quarters or into thick slices. Lay them in the gravy until they are heated, sprinkle with pepper and salt, and serve with or without toast or crackers.

Fricasseed Eggs, II.—Cook butter and flour together as directed in last recipe, and pour upon it a cupful of milk, stirring until you have a smooth white sauce. Season this to taste with celery salt, plain salt, white pepper, and if desired, a few drops of onion juice. Have eggs cooked and cut up as directed above, drop these into the sauce, and cook until hot through, and serve on toast or crackers.

Lyonnaise Eggs.—Melt two tablespoons of butter in the blazer, put with them half an onion sliced thin, and a teaspoon of chopped parsley. Cook until the onions begin to brown, pour over them a half teacup of milk into which you have stirred a heaping teaspoon of flour, and cook, stirring all the while, until the mixture begins to thicken; lay in five hard boiled eggs, cut into thick slices, and serve as soon as these are hot through.

Sunshine Eggs.—Melt two tablespoons of butter in a frying pan, lay in it carefully the number of eggs you wish, breaking each one in a saucer and sliding it from this into the butter. Have a knife at hand with which to trim off or turn up the edges of the whites as they stiffen, that the eggs may not run into each other. As soon as they are firm sprinkle with salt and pepper and pour over them a cup of tomato sauce or of stewed tomatoes, which you have freed from lumps and thickened with a little flour. Add onion juice to qualify the tomato and a little sugar if it is too tart. The tomato sauce may be made in the second pan of the chafing dish by cooking together a tablespoonful each of flour and butter until they bubble, then pouring upon them a cup of tomato liquor which has been seasoned with salt, pepper, sugar, and onion juice. Stir until the sauce is smooth and thick, cover closely and set aside while you cook your eggs. The sauce will keep so warm that it will require only a minute in the blazer after you have poured it over the eggs to become smoking hot.

Sweets for Children.

Every normal child likes an occasional sweet, and an occasional sweet in the way of dessert, is not only not harmful, but good, for the normal child. The sweet should be eaten immediately after the meal, hence it can best be served as a part of the dessert. The teeth should be washed, of course, after every meal—and, incidentally, the child who once forms the habit of washing its teeth regularly will be uncomfortable when it forgets to do so. Especially the teeth should be thoroughly washed after eating sweets of any kind, so if candy is indulged in between meals the mouth and teeth should be immediately washed. Of course, candy should not be indulged in between meals; but a little milk chocolate eaten at a specified time between meals is not so harmful when the teeth are washed as when they are not washed. For the sugar remaining in the mouth forms an acid which decays the enamel of the teeth and so leads to serious cavities.

Milk Chocolate Wholesome.—Milk chocolate is probably the most wholesome sweet for children. It possesses real nutritive value and so should be considered a part of the child's food. Hence it should be given with raisins, to do the most good as a dessert.

They Love Candied Fruit.—Candied fruit is wholesome, too. It can be made at home without much trouble, but it can be bought in good quality of any reliable dealer. Candied peel—lemon, orange and grape-fruit—are difficult of digestion and should not be confused with candied fruit when planning a treat for children.

Barley Sugar Healthful.—Barley sugar is not injurious It possesses the disadvantage of molasses candy—it must be held in the mouth in order to be dissolved. But if a stick of barley sugar, flavored with some pure fruit juice, be given after dessert no ill results will be produced.

Hints for the Home.

A fresh egg will beat to a froth easier than a stale one.

Stale eggs are glassy and smooth of shell, and will sink in water.

For cleaning windows, mirrors and lamp-glasses use borax instead of soda.

Cucumber rind cut into thin slips and put where ants abound will invariably drive them away.

Thickened soups should be about as thick as good cream, so add more thickening liquid as it seems necessary.

Boots and shoes however damp will polish in a few minutes if a drop or two of paraffin oil are added to the blacking.

Handkerchiefs may be stiffened without being hardened, and without the use of starch, by putting a little borax in the last water in which they are rinsed.

Many young persons have a habit of sitting or leaning in a one-sided fashion, which sooner or later shows its effect in the shoulders, one being higher than the other.

To remove scorch marks from linen rub the place well with half a raw onion, then wash in the usual way, and unless the scorch is a very bad one the linen will be quite white again.

To take ink stains out of a colored table cover, when strong acids cannot be used, try rubbing the stained spots with a ripe tomato cut in half. Then sponge with cold rain-water.

Remember when washing a knitted coat never to wring it or hang it up to dry. The best plan is to put it into a pillow slip, hang this on the line, and occasionally beat with a stick until the coat is nearly dry. Then put on a hanger and let it dry there.

If you spill tea or coffee on a white tablecloth remove the cloth at once, hold the stained part over a basin and pour clear, boiling water through it. The stain will generally disappear immediately. Add a little borax to the water if the stain is a very bad one.

Shoes which have become stiff and uncomfortable through being worn in rainy weather, or that have been unused for some time, can be made soft and pliable by an application of vaseline well worked in with a soft wad and afterwards rubbed with a dry cloth.

A baked raisin pudding is good and wholesome for a family. Take a quarter of a pound of stoned raisins, a quarter of a pound of finely minced suet, half a pound of flour, a teaspoonful of baking powder, a pinch of salt, and very little sugar. Work all into a light batter with a well-beaten egg and some milk. Pour into a well-greased pie-dish and bake in a moderate oven for an hour longer.

Colored prints and photographs may be artistically mounted in the following way, and the expense of frames saved. Have a piece of glass cut to the size required, and have ready also a piece of cardboard the exact size of picture and glass. Bore two holes on a level through the cardboard, near what will be the top, and thread through them a piece of fine gold picture wire or ribbon, joining the ends on the wrong side of the cardboard, and having enough loop in front for hanging the picture. Lay the cardboard at the back of the picture and cover the face of the latter with the glass, cut to size. Then, with strips of gold, oak-colored, white or dark green paper, sold especially for mounting pictures and already gummed, bind the edges neatly, securing the three thickness together. A very good and artistic effect is arrived at by using a line of gold paper in front of a white one.

Why He Wouldn't Contribute.

"Then you won't contribute to support the Plunkville band?"

"No."

"I thought you were a lover of good music."

"I am."

Scared.

"John, I was just reading that the price of a full grown ostrich is $125."

"Help! Are they using them to trim hats with now?"

Oh, Yes, to be Sure.

"That woman can do anything with figures," remarked the Boob.

"What is she, a bookkeeper," asked the Cheerful Idiot.

"Naw," replied the Boob. "She's a dressmaker."

Our idea of an earthly angel is a satisfactory wife.

Turning over a new leaf is often just the same old leaf, with just another turn.

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LORD STRATHCONA'S LIFE

ACTIVE CAREER OF CANADA'S GRAND OLD MAN.

The Late Donald Alexander Smith Hewed His Way to Fortune.

In common with many others whose names are closely identified with the pioneer days in Canada, Donald Alexander Smith came from Scotland to hew, almost in a literal sense, his way to fortune. Born in Archieston in 1820, his parents being Alexander Smith and Barbara, daughter of Donald Stuart, Leanchoil, he at an early age felt the lure of the land overseas and at the age of eighteen came to Canada. This was in 1838, a year after Queen Victoria had ascended the throne and at a time when Lord Durham was governor-general of British North America. He did not make a blind venture, he having previous to leaving Scotland, secured a post with the Hudson Bay Company. He was stationed on arrival at Mingen Island on the inhospitable Labrador coast, and for thirteen years in that lonely land, icebound in winter and storm ridden for the greater part of the year, he pursued his work with unfailing perseverance and that spirit of unswerving determination destined to reap rich rewards.

At this period a post in the service of the Hudson Bay Company was on a par with appointments to the East India Company's service. Positions of the kind were regarded as highly desirable and attracted the adventurous sons of many of the best of the middle-class of Britain.

A Typical Incident.

An incident which throws a light on his ready acquiescence, where the instructions of his superiors were concerned, occurred some years after he took up the work at Mingen. His ambition was such that he longed for a wider field and in the hope of being transferred to Montreal, he undertook in the fall a trip up the St. Lawrence to Montreal. On arrival, he informed Sir George Simpson, the company's factor there, that he believed he could be of greater service if shifted to the larger station, adding that his health was not robust. Sir George was unsympathetic and, so runs the story, contrived that the physician's report on the young man's physical condition should not bear out the plea. On being apprized that he had better return, Donald Smith cheerfully submitted. Navigation having closed, he was forced to make his way back along the dreary coast, but his good temper was unfailing.

First Real Chance.

His chance came in 1851, thirteen years after the prison-like confinement of Labrador. He was detailed to go to the great northwest, at that time a land marked by only a few scattered settlements and trading posts. His sterling abilities had forced somewhat tardy recognition, but fortune having once taken hold of the young Scotchman clung to him persistently. In the early fifties the "Aroostook incident" caused friction with the United States, and the result was a tightening of the bonds between the provinces. Upper and Lower Canada had become united and Donald Smith became resident governor and chief commissioner of the company in Canada.

Red River Commissioner.

Though a clash with the southern republic was averted by diplomatic means, domestic troubles arose. Those were stirring days in the northwest, and presently the smouldering hostility of the Indians and half-breeds broke out into the flame of the Red River rebellion. It is significant of the public confidence reposed in Donald Smith that, in 1869, when it was deemed advisable to appoint a commissioner to probe into the underlying cause of the insurrection, he was named as the man. Tact, strength, with a leaven of Scottish prudence, and the faculty of quick decision—these were united in him. It was a man's sized job that he had to handle and he handled it. The Red River trouble was settled expeditiously and Donald Smith, then about fifty years of age, loomed large in the view of all Canadians.

His Clear Vision.

Politics called him. He stood for the Winnipeg constituency in the legislature. Of course he was elected. He was no ordinary politician seeking to curry the favor of his electors by attention to merely local affairs. It is doubtful if any other man in Canada at that time had such a clear vision. He saw the country of the future, not as a few widely separated centres dependent upon the comparatively brief season of navigation for intertrade, but a country securely linked by bands of steel. A transcontinental railway—that was the thing. In season and out he urged it until in Ottawa some notice was taken. Sir John Macdonald became a convert and the Canadian Pacific Railway, completed in 1885, was the result.

Building of C.P.R.

Almost inevitably at Conservative meetings when the name of the old chieftain is mentioned there is coupled with it an allusion to the building of the C.P.R. Undoubtedly to Sir John belonged the credit of carrying out a railway plan considered in the eighties a bold one by men of advanced ideas and almost insane by the ultra-conservatives. But, so says Sir Charles Tupper, that railway, the biggest in the world, would not have been built but for Donald Smith.

Sometimes Lord Strathcona has been referred to as "The Lion of the North." Newspaper and magazine articles innumerable have been written about him and in all of them the designation "empire builder" is inevitably given. It is true that he profited personally by his foresight, that he built up an immense fortune of many millions by his ability to see clearly what other men saw dimly or not at all. But Canada was chiefly the gainer.

Appointed High Commissioner.

His political career really reached its zenith with the building of the C.P.R., but he did not retire from politics until 1896. He was federal member for Selkirk, Man., from 1872 to 1876 and for Montreal West from 1887 to 1896, when he was appointed High Commissioner. He succeeded Sir Charles Tupper. It was thought by many at that time that the Laurier ministry might not desire the continuance in the lofty office of a previously vigorous political opponent, but when the commissioner proffered his resignation Sir Wilfrid made the special request that he remain.

Mentally Vigorous.

From 1896 to the present, a period of eighteen years, he did honor to Canada in the post, and despite his advanced years, showed no sign of losing the keen edge of those faculties which made him great. Physically, however, he had been gradually declining of late years, and the recent death of his wife, whom he married in his early pioneer days in the west, and to whom he was devotedly attached, undoubtedly hastened his end. Lady Strathcona was the daughter of Richard Hardisty, one of the early traders of Western Canada, and though much fonder of home than public life, was generally beloved, having been a true helpmate in the widespread philanthropies of Lord Strathcona. One daughter, Margaret Charlotte, the wife of R. J. Bliss Howard, F.R.C.S., survives.

Laden with Honors.

The honor of the Grand Cross of St. Michael and St. George was conferred upon him in 1896, and he was made a baron in the ensuing year, taking the title of Lord Strathcona and Mount Royal. In 1908 the Grand Cross of the Victorian Order was conferred upon him. Other honors bestowed from time to time were those of fellow Royal Society, doctor of laws, privy councillor and deputy lieutenant.

Lord Strathcona's generosity was one of his marked characteristics. Having acquired many millions, he was in a position to distribute lavishly, and he did so. Particularly notable were his benefactions in the direction of promoting education and the fostering of all movements definitely directed towards strengthening the ties of empire.

Numerous Benefactions.

In 1896, jointly with Lord Mount Stephen, an early associate in railway enterprises, including the C.P.R. and the St. Paul, Minneapolis and Manitoba Railway, he gave a million dollars for the founding and endowment of the Royal Victoria Hospital. Later he gave almost a million dollars for maintenance. He founded the Royal Victoria College, the first of the kind for women. McGill University knew him as most loyal of all its supporters. He provided Strathcona's Horse for service in the South African War, at a cost of about $2,000,000. He showed great interest in bettering the condition of the poor of London, and institutions far and wide learned to look to him for support. The cause of music and art claimed much of his attention, and as a collector he gained distinction.

"Great wealth," he said, "cannot bring happiness. It must come from a contented mind and hard work. Great wealth is a burden, for one has to think very hard how to make the best use of one's money. I would not advise any man to strive after great wealth. I would rather be a very good man than a very rich one."

Offices Held.

Among the offices which he held from time to time were: Director of C.P.R., hon. president and director Bank of Montreal; governor of the Hudson Bay Company; director of the St. Paul, Minneapolis & Manitoba Railway, and of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company; hon. president of the Bank of Montreal; D.C.L., Oxford and Dublin Universities; hon. LL.D. of Cambridge, Aberdeen, Glasgow, Victoria (Manchester), Dublin, Queenstown, Laval, Yale, Ottawa, and Toronto Universities; lord rector of Aberdeen University, 1899, and chancellor 1903; Cr. K. C.M.G., 1886; hon. commodore of Royal St. Lawrence Yacht Club; hon. president Winnipeg Rowing Club; patron Manitoba Rifle Association; president Quebec Rifle Association.

HEALTH

The Epileptic Child.

It is a tragic moment when parents realize that one of their children is an epileptic; it is even more tragic if to the child's misfortune is added any lack of kindness or of good judgment on the part of his parents.

In this disorder certain parts of the brain are affected, and although there are many types of epileptics, some of whom are unusually clever, and others inordinately stupid, it must not be forgotten that they are all abnormal.

Since the types vary so widely, the proper treatment and discipline must vary also. Each child must be dealt with according to his individual peculiarities. The most usual mistake that parents make is to abandon discipline altogether, and let the child run wild. They do so in the hope that the attacks will occur less frequently; but they ought to remember that the victim of epilepsy needs more than most people the self-control and the good habits that only wise discipline in early life can establish.

Some slow-minded epileptic children are nervously conscientious and painstaking. Those it is well to watch and encourage; but usually it is best to hold them back in their efforts to keep pace with normal children.

Others, again, are unusually quick-witted and alert, and their parents sometimes permit them to outstrip their schoolmates, by way of proving that "there is nothing the matter with them." But even in the cleverness of such children there is something morbid and ill-balanced, and it is wiser to restrain and quiet them than to let them excite themselves in competition with their fellows.

With epileptics, a life that is led much in the open air, with some quiet occupation, such as gardening or poultry raising, is a good preparation for adult life, and helps to give the long hours of sleep and the good digestion that are so necessary.

The care of the digestion is most important in epilepsy. An error in diet is almost certain to bring on an attack, and it is usual to find that epileptics have poor digestions. Their food should be simple, and moderate in amount, and it is an excellent plan to establish the habit of slow eating in childhood.—Youth's Companion.

FAMILIAR PHRASES.

Terms of Speech the Meaning of Which Has Passed.

"He's a brick," is an everyday expression, but it is not generally known that it was coined by Lycurgus, the great Spartan lawgiver, 2,800 years ago. When Lycurgus was asked if it would not be advisable to build a brick wall around Sparta, he replied that the city already had a wall of men and every man was a brick.

How many collectors know the origin of the word "dun"? Early in the 19th century an English constable, John Dun, became celebrated as a first-class collector of bad debts. Subsequently a persistent following up of debtors became known as "dunning."

"Take him down a peg" is a familiar expression which dates back to the day of the great Saxon primate, St. Dunstan. To put a stop to hard drinking and brawling, he made a law regulating a man's drinks by means of pegs in the ale tankards. The peg being adjustable, it was so placed as to regulate the size of the drink. When a man began to get too lively or pugnacious, the peg was lowered in his mug. From this grew the expression "taking him down a peg."

Everybody has heard or used the familiar expression: "Tell that to the marines," but how many know it was first popularized by Lord Byron? In his poem, "The Island," the following lines appear:

But whatsoever betide, ah, Neuha! now
Unman me not; the hour will not allow—
A tear: I'm thine whatever intervenes,
"Right," quoth Red, "that will do for the marines."

A man can pocket his pride, but a woman, having no pockets, generally wears hers on her sleeve.

A California woman has erected a remarkable residence for herself at the age of 73. With the exception of the roof, frame and floors, the house was built entirely by her.

Mrs. Vinnie R. Hoxie, the pioneer woman sculptor of America, has received a commission from the Oklahoma legislature for a lifesize statue of Sequoiah, the Indian chieftain.

Miss Ethel Mountz of Seward, Kan., will receive $20,000 from the estate of Colonel C. Grant for her heroism in saving a baby from death under the wheels of Grant's motor car.

"Farmers," said the fair city visitor, "are just as dishonest as the city milkman." "How d'ye make that out?" asked the farmers wife. "This morning," said the girl accusingly, "with my own eyes I saw your man water the cows before he milked them."

ADVERTISING NOTICES

In the local column will be charged as follows: To Regular Advertisers—Three lines and under, 25c. each insertion; over three lines, 5c. per line. Matter set in larger than the ordinary type, 10c. per line.

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RAILWAY TIME TABLE

Trains call at Stirling station as follows:

GOING WEST		GOING EAST	
Mail & Ex.	6.02 a.m.	Passenger	10.12 a.m.
Passenger	6.45 p.m.	Mail & Ex.	3.31 p.m.

Local & General

Geo. B. Hagerman of Anson has purchased the Moore dwelling on Front St. near the Judd dwelling and expects to take possession in the cause of a few weeks.

Rev. W. T. Prittie of Coppercliff will occupy the Presbyterian pulpit next Sunday, the Rev gentleman comes well recommended from several quarters. Next week the congregation will most likely decide on giving another call.

Geo. F. Hubbel who has sold his farm in the 2nd Concession of Rawdon and commences Feb. the 18th 12.30 p. m. to Auction off all his stock, implements, etc, without reserves. C. U. Clancy holds the chair and many bargains should be in evidence.

A. E. Tweedie received word the first of the week that his brother Richard of Stockdale had received a paraletic stroke and lay quite dangerous, he has since somewhat improved but is still in quite a dangerous state with grave fears for his recovery. He had been cutting wood on his wild land back of Marmora and just managed to get to his home before the stroke took him.

Wm. Holdon and wife now of Vancouver a former Stirling boy who has been financially very successful in his adapted home, spent a few days here the guests of his father and sister: They came via California visiting Los Angelos and other cities their, and left here on Monday for Montreal for a few days visit there, thence they go to New York enroute to Palm Beach Florida, which they will make their head quarters until April, visiting the West Indies and other surrounding resorts.

A Girls' Hockey Team has been organized here with the following Officers elected—

Hon. Pres.	G. E. Kennedy
Pres.	Dr. C. F. Walt
Vice-Pres.	W. Whitty
Manager	Frank Linn
Ass't Manager	W. Bailey
Sec. Treas.	E. V. Archer
Captain	E. Brown

The first game is to be played Thursday evening at Frankford.

Hockey Match

On Monday evening last the local Hockey club played the Tweed aggregation at the Stirling arena. The Tweed team has the reputation this year of being fast and clever players, and their performance on Monday evening did not belie this reputation, although they were beaten by a score of 5 to 2. The game was very close throughout, and would have been a good contest if the referee had kept the lid down a little tighter on the rough work, offsides etc. The score at half time was 1 to 1, but after the interval, the boys in red and white ran in three in quick succession. The score remained thus for a considerably time, but after about 20 minutes of hockey, and some thing that was not hockey, each team managed to secure another counter, thus making the final score 5 to 2 in favor of the home team. A return match will be played in the near future, on Tweed ice, when a good game may be looked for.

The Stirling Women's Institute

Owing to a bazaar held in December the proceeds of which amounted to $33.20, no programme was prepared for the January regular meeting hence business only was transacted.

The Ladies decided to hold their next meeting on the evening of Thursday, Feb. 5th, in order that the members might invite their families to attend.

One of the principal features is a debate "Resolved that an untidy, good natured wife is perferable to a tidy, ill-natured one", the affirmative to be taken by Messrs J. S. Morton and G. H. Leury, while the negative side will be ably defended by Messrs G. Kennedy and H Hulin.

Other interesting points of the programme are, an opening chorus, double quartette, solos and readings. A very pleasant evening is being anticipated by those who are fortunate enough to receive an invitation.

The programme is being prepared by Mesdames Faulkner and Mc Gee and Miss J. Wescott.

Public worship at River Valley on Sunday next at 3 p. m.

The Methodist hold their Communion service on Sunday morning and a Question service in the evening.

Tuesday Evening Jan. 27th, will long be remembered by the people of Stirling and the vicinity who were fortunate enough to attend the Concert given by the Ontario Ladie's Quartette in aid of the Public Library. The night unfortunately was anything but favorable as a continual down pour prevented many from being with us. We regret this very much as the Company without a doubt was one of the very best that has ever Entertained an audience in our town.

The Pianist Miss Askeg is a most attractive personality who certainly knew how to please the public.

Miss Florence Mc Neil is a lady with an exceedingly rich voice.

Miss Kathleen Wallis the sweet violinist who charmed the audience with her numerous selections made a most lasting impression.

Last but not least was "Pearl" the Star of the Evening who fairly captivated the people with her recitations, songs and ready Irish wit.

"Come back to Stirling Mavourneen
Mavourneen."

Space will not permit a full account of the Entertainment but altogether it was the best ever, and we have no hesitation in saying should the Quartette ever come to Stirling again a packed house would most assuredly greet them. Every selection was received with loud applause, and in every case the encore was most graciously responded to.

Of a truth our citizens showed their appreciation of a high class concert. The very best order was in evidence, and all left feeling that—

"A little laughter now and then
Is relished by the best of men."

Obituary

The death took place at her residence Bellview, of Mrs. Luery mother of Geo. H. Luery of this village. Deceased was 78 years old, and had been a very active woman all her life only being sick for about three weeks.

She leaves beside her sorrowing husband, three daughters Mrs. Spencer Summers, Marmora, Mrs. Mary Martin, Harold, and Mrs. Alex Martin of Sine, and four sons, Nelson living at the Homestead, Wm. and David of Bellview and Geo. H. of Stirling.

Mr. Luery who is 89 years is still active and can do quite a days work with the boys, he is a native of Kent England, and his wife was born in Nottingham, on coming to Canada they lived for about 15 years in Belleville and 48 years ago they took up the present homestead, when the country was practically wild, and have resided there since.

The Carnival of Thurs. Jan. 22nd, was largely attended and enjoyed by all. There were many good costumes deserving of prizes.

The Judges were chosen from ice and prizes awarded as follows.—

Best Lady in costume — Lucy Williams.

Best Lady Skater in costume — Florence Linn.

Best Girl's costume under 15 years — Marion Halliwell.

Best Gent's costume — Angus Todd.

Best Gent Skater in costume — Roy Bissonnette.

Best Boy in costume under 15 years — Cecil Walt.

The Lady's Hockey Club exhibited the old colors in long streamers of red and white, the cheerful seven brightened the stillness of the evening.

Minto Women's Institute held a special meeting at the Minto Club Rooms on the afternoon of Jan. 7th. Meeting opened as usual with the President in the chair. One special feature of the programme was an able talk given by Miss Powell, Whitby. The subject discussed being "A Present Day Need" and many bright ideas were given to those present.

Miss Laura Waller gave a recitation. There were thirty five ladies present and three new members were added to the membership.

The next regular meeting will be held at the home of Mrs Jacob Sine on Wednesday Feb. 11th at 2. 30 p. m: Visitors Welcome.

NOTICE

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ANNIE G. RUNNALLS, late of the Township of Rawdon, in the County of Hastings, Married Woman, deceased.

Pursuant to the authority vested in him, the Administrator has instructed Mr. William Rogers to offer for sale by Public Auction at the Stirling House in the Village of Stirling, at the hour of Two o'clock, P. M. on the seventh of February, 1914, the following lands:

All and singular that certain parcel or tract of land and premises situate, lying and being in the Township of Rawdon, in the County of Hastings, and Province of Ontario, and being composed of the West half of Lot number Ten in the seventh concession of the said Township of Rawdon containing by admeasurement one hundred acres of land be the same more or less with the approval of the Official Guardian and subject to reserve bid fixed by him.

Terms, $200.00 down on the day of sale, balance in one month thereafter, further conditions made known on day of sale.

For further particulars apply to Abram D. Runnalls, the Administrator, F. W. Harcourt, Official Guardian, or to

G. G. THRASHER,
Vendor's Solicitor.

Dated at Stirling, this fifteenth day of January, 1914.

Foxboro Minister Fined for Assault

Rev. J. P. McInnes of Foxboro, who is a liquor inspector appointed by the Township Council of Thurlow, which township is under local option, was one day last week before Magistrate Mason charged with an assault.

The complainant was Mr. Jesse Charles, a man of 82 years of age, who resides at Stirling. It appears that Mr. Charles proceeding to his home, being in a vehicle owned and driven by Mr. J. J. Gould, also of Stirling. In the vehicle was a keg of beer which had been given to Mr. Charles as a Christmas gift This was seized by Mr. McInnes at Foxboro, and the inspector took a flask containing liquor and a bottle of beer out of the old gentleman's pocket. This took place whilst Mr Gould and his son were watering their horses at Foxboro. It was alleged that the inspector assaulted Mr. Charles during the confiscating of the liquor.

The result of enquiry was that the defendant was fined $1 and costs, amounting in all to $11.50 — Belleville Intelligencer.

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Some of Them Are Headaches, Dizziness and Indigestion.

When a child begins to screw up its eyes to elevate and depress its eyebrows, to wrinkle its forehead, to blink, to push forward its head when looking at things, then suspect eye strain. Among the many troubles caused by eye strain are headaches, dizziness, indigestion and so called billous attacks.

Eye strain is really a weariness of the many nerves that supply the small muscles of the eyes. If there be any abnormal optical conditions, such as errors of refraction, found in myopia, or shortsightedness and hyperopia, or long sightedness, imperfect balance of the ocular muscles and astigmatism or asymmetrical curvature of the cornea, these muscles try their best to correct the trouble, but soon tire of the effort and give it up, when the blurred images of irregular diffusion are left to irritate the retina. As one-fourth of all the cranial nerves are devoted to the eyes one can scarcely wonder that headaches are the result of eye strain. That backwardness in school work is often due to eye strain is well known to up to date educators.

It is claimed by some medical men that the majority of children who are rated as mentally defective are not suffering from weakness of intellect, but from defective sight, that can be cured by glasses.—New York World.

Ready For the Inspectors.

Annoyed by a notice that the local sanitary committee were going to inspect his cow house, a Dorset farmer spread linoleum over the floor of the building, displayed hearth rugs in convenient positions, hung the walls with pictures and a mirror and installed a harmonium. When the committee arrived he gravely invited them to wipe their feet on the doormat before entering.—London Mail.

The British Postmaster-General, Mr. Samuel, announced in a speech at Henley on Jan. 20th that within a year the Premier would submit to Parliament proposals for the complete elimination of the hereditary peerage principle and the thorough democratization of the House of Lords.

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Personal And Social.

Mrs. H. Stewart left on Monday for Belleville where she will spend a week or so visiting friends and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. John Phillips of Sidney and Mrs. J. Rollins and son Jay of Alberta were the guests of Mrs. Mark Tucker last week.

Mrs. Josp. Wood who sold her dwelling to Mrs. Payne last year and who is now residing at Ivanhoe was in the village for a few hours on Monday.

Fred W. Vandervoorte and wife now of Wellington, were guests of his father J. W. and her brother J. A. Weaver and other friends and relatives, he returned home on Tuesday while Mrs. Vandervoorte remains for some days.

Miss Edna Archer spent the week end at her home in Campbellford.

Mrs. Wm. Gould is visiting friends in Campbellford and Peterboro

Miss M. Hay of Campbellford spent Saturday with Mrs. W. R. Mather.

Mr. Harold Elliott spent Sunday at his home in Peterboro.

Miss Edna Gould spent the week end with friends in Campbellford.

Mr. Earl Eggleton of the Bank of Montreal staff is taking a short vacation from his duties on account of sickness.

Mrs. A. E. Tweedie has been on the sick list during the past few days but is now improving

Mr. Elvin Pollock and Miss Flossie B. Pollock of Wellmans Corners are spending a month with relatives in this locality and Goderich, and intend spending a few days with Mrs. Smith in Toronto on their return. Kincardine Review.

MARRIED

Jones—Green,—At the Metropolitan Church, Toronto, by the Rev. Atken on Jany. 16th 1914, Miss Mercie A. Green to W. S. Jones.

The Members of the Excelsior Bible Class of the Methodist Church met on Thursday evening Jan. 22nd and elected the following Officers for 1914—

President	J. L. Ashley
1st Vice	T. A. Eggleton
2nd "	J. W. Brown
3rd "	Alex Judd
Secretary	H. E. Hulin
Treasurer	G. G. Thrasher
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2nd "	H. E. Hulin
3rd "	T. J. Smith

The class meets every Sunday morning at 10 o'clock.

Everybody Welcome.

On Wednesday evening Jan. 7th the D. D. G. M. and team of Quinte District, installed the following officers in Stirling Lodge No. 239 I.O.O.F.

N. G.	Geo. R. Megginson
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R. S.	R. W. Meiklejohn
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Chap.	G. Smith

To the Editor of the News-Argus.

Dear Sir,—I think the Public should feel a debt of gratitude to the Committee who secured for us such an inexpressible treat as the concert given in the Town Hall Tuesday night, in aid of the funds for the extension of our Library accomodation in Stirling.

It is seldom we are visited by such an up-to-date performance. The renderings of "Sound the Pebroch" and "Come Sing to Me" were indeed a rare treat, and the performance of the violin was quite beyond the reach of the amateur violinist. it was indeed so superior in rare talent and versatile ability, that we trust we may hear them again in the no distant future. Such performances are educating as well as pleasing to hear, and we only wish and hope they may visit Stirling again. Many thanks to the Library Committee who secured them.

Jas. Boldrick.

Word has come to me that Mr. T. M. Reid has circulated a report that he ran me off the farm I had rented from Hector Whitton, and which he purchased.

The facts of the case are, that he tried unfairly to take possession of it some months before my time of rental expired, which I refused to give him, but when the winter set in I allowed him possession, although his action of driving off my cattle and entering on my pasture to plow, was not to say the least deserving of such forbearance on my part, and I had no intention of allowing him to drive me, as he claims.

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The Kew Gardens flagstaff, reputed to be the tallest in the Old World, has had to be taken down, owing to time and decay having weakened it in many places in its 150 feet length. Experts will have to decide whether it can be re-erected. For over fifty years the flagstaff has been a landmark in Kew Gardens, and on the death of a reigning sovereign and the coronation of his successor it has borne a specially large royal standard sent down by the Board of Admiralty. The spar is a remarkably fine specimen of a Douglas fir, and was sent to Kew Gardens in 1861 by Edward Grey, a timber merchant. It came from Vancouver Island, and was then 250 years old.

The loss of life and property by the volcanic eruptions on the Island of Sakura in Japan is believed to be much greater than at first estimated. The survivors are in a pitiable condition and national relief is being organized for them.

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Thursday, JAN. 29, 1914

Lord Strathcona has passed to his reward, and all the newspapers have with hardly an exception lauded him to the skies making him just a little higher than the angels and given him one of the highest seats in the synagogue above.

While admitting him to be one of if not the strongest and most far-seeing men that Canada has had, we had decided not to make any personal reference to him, as little wee fellows like us, don't amount to much, especially when arrayed against the whole of Newspaperdom; but as our Ready Print inside pages over which we have no control (and which are anxious to do away with and print our whole paper locally) has a long article of the usual laudatory style we have been forced to take some notice of it.

We do not intend going at all fully into the matter but only to make a few general observations and let our readers reason them out for themselves.

The deceased was a man who made strong personal claims to strict honesty and integrity, and also of religious principles, and he was one of the principle movers of, and largest benefitors by the most coloschol steals of the peoples franchizes that the world has ever seen "The C. P. R." There is a quotation(that most will recognize as not from Shakespeare) made over 1800 years ago. How hardly can a rich man enter the Kingdom of Heaven; and it is more applicable now under modern affairs, than when made.

He, during his life time we understand claimed great credit because he risked the fortune he then had to finance the C. P. R. in its building days. He having the opportunity knew the country as perhaps no other did, and we think he took about the same risk that a black-leg gambler would take in a game when he sat behind a Royal Flush, and would risk his all if he could find an opponent, to back up against him.

We have devoted considerable space to the following article and trust it will be of interest to our readers, as it is a very good resume of an interesting situation, and while from an English and other nation's stand point it would force the U. S. to do their work in one of the disagreeable phazes of the political situation taken by the nation, it brushes aside very lightly the manner in which the English and other European nations have neglected their duty in the Balkans and when the situation was clearing itself they by their unfair interference put it back 100 years or more.

THE MEXICAN SITUATION.

(The 'Spectator,' London.)

It is clear that, however "blood-stained" President Huerta may be, his antagonists can give him points and beat him on that score. He and his Government may show the ruthlessness and cruelty of arbitrary power, but to these evils the rebels have added the horrors of brigandage. They are not content with shooting their prisoners, but make attacks, purely for predatory purposes, on defenceless Americans, Englishmen and other foreigners, and even upon their womenfolk. It is to be feared, indeed, that in a very large part of Mexico all foreigners, and especially all foreigners possessed of any property worth taking, are now in deadly peril. This is a state of things which cannot be allowed to continue indefinitely. Some remedy must be found, for it is impossible to believe that a country so full of all the things that the world needs is to be allowed not only to remain undeveloped, but actually to return to a condition of sterility, or that its population of millions of men and women is to be given over to the worst type of anarchy.

Let us say as a preliminary that if external force is to be used to restore order in Mexico, it must be used by the United States, and by the United States alone. For ourselves, we have always been willing to accept the Monroe Doctrine, even in its most highly developed form, and to recognize America's right, or "since right" is a very ambiguous word in this context, America's wisdom, in declaring that she will not tolerate European intervention in Spanish and Portuguese America. Such European intervention must mean in the end the establishment of European power on the American continent, where it does not now exist, an event which would bring complications, dangers, and international anxieties which the American people are naturally determined to avoid.

The moment it is admitted that the intervention of any European Power or group of Powers to restore order or to give protection to their own nationals—which protection cannot be given effectually without restoring law and order generally—will not be allowed, it will be seen that a very grave responsibility must rest on the United States.

The President of the United States has up till now declared, no doubt with perfect sincerity, that the American people are determined not to interfere with the internal affairs of their neighbors. Yet all the time intervention by America of a most serious kind is taking place. The forbidding of action by other Powers, though it may not bear the name, is in truth intervention. A still more pronounced form of interference, though America does not appear to recognize it, is to be found in President Wilson's action in virtually putting President Huerta and his immediate circle under the ban of the United States, and declaring that they are blood-stained men who cannot be allowed to rule, or, at any rate, whose rule will never be acknowledged by the United States. Further, President Wilson has been understood to insist that the United States will never recognize any concessions or financial arrangements made by President Huerta and the existing Government—an announce ment which paralyses the arm of the "de facto" Government. But though the policy of the United States in fact constitutes a far-reaching system of interference, the United States has as yet unfortunately shown no willingness to carry out the tremendous task which she has in effect taken upon herself, or, to put it in another way, which the force of circumstances has imposed upon her. She has said "Hands off, this is my job!" to the rest of the world, but has taken no steps to shoulder the burden. Unquestionably the result of this method of intervention has been very greatly to increase the evils of the Mexican situation. It has disheartened the "de facto" Government. which, however bad in itself, is at any rate not a Government of pure brigandage, and it has greatly heartened the rebels and increased their resisting power. In spite of the atrocities which they commit, they feel themselves to be under the protection of the great neighbor who has laid a ban upon those with whom they are fighting. We have reached, indeed, the extraordinary position that the United States is in effect, though of course not in name, outlawing one set of combatants because they are blood-stained, and encouraging another set in spite of their being equally cruel and ferocious.

It is, of course, quite easy to see how the Americans slipped into a position so intolerable. What they would like to do in regard to Mexico and other South American Republics is what England in the past has done in regard to certain small self governing States—viz., to guarantee their independence and prevent their being absorbed by other Powers, but to stop absolutely at this point in the path of protection. But in most of the cases in which we have done this the State thus protected by our influence has been internally thoroughly well governed—a State giving no excuse for any outside intervention.

To protect Mexico without administering it is, in effect, to protect an outrage on civilization. The policy of a non-interfering protectorate which accepts no internal responsibilities is barred by the facts of human nature. In theory America had a choice of two courses before her. She might have adopted the line of saying that the Mexicans must be left severely alone to fight out their quarrels, even if it took them fifty years to do so and led to the laying waste of the whole Republic. That was a consistent policy, but it was also in reality an impractical one. The industrial development of Mexico and the presence of such large numbers of Americans and other foreigners made it impossible. That being so, the only alternative was for the United States, however disagreeable it might be, to accept the responsibility imposed by the maintainance of the Monroe Doctrine, and to undertake the task of restoring her. President Wilson did what with all respect, we must say was the very worst thing he could have done. He intervened and pretended not to be intervening. He deprecated bloodshed and anarchy, but yet would neither stop it himself nor allow anybody else to stop it. The Mexican politicians and brigands, though in one sense they may be uncivilized men, were acute enough to see the opportunity thus offered them, and they took full advantage of it.

Things having gone so far, we feel certain that the only way left for the United States is for themselves to restore order in Mexico. It is a tremendous task, but it is one which cannot be avoided, nor is it beyond their ability to perform.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

IN THE MATTER of the Estate of Annie G. Runnalls, late of the Township of Rawdon, in the County of Hastings, Married Woman, deceased.

Notice is hereby given pursuant to section No. 53, Chapter No. 26 of the Statutes of Ontario, one George 5th.

That all persons having claims against the said Annie G. Runnalls deceased, who died on or about the 27th, day of February A. D. One thousand nine hundred and ten, in the Township of Rawdon aforesaid, are required to send by post prepaid or deliver to Abraham D. Runnalls, the administrator, Harold Post Office, Ontario, or to his Solicitor as hereunder on or before the 30th, day of January A. D. One thousand nine hundred and fourteen, their names and addresses with full particulars of their claims in writing and the nature of securities, if any held by them fully verified by Statutary Declaration.

And further take notice that after said 30th, day of January, A. D. one thousand nine hundred and fourteen, the Assets of the Said Estate will be distributed by the Administrator among the parties entitled thereto having regard only to the claims which he shall then have notice and the estate will not be liable for any claims not filed at the time of said distribution.

Dated at Stirling this
30th, day of December,
1914.

G. G. Thrasher
Solicitor for Administrator.

Whether if America does intervene and put an end to anarchy in Mexico by the strong hand, she will ever be able to get out of Mexico again is a very difficult problem. No doubt American optimists hold that they will be able to leave Mexico as they have left Cuba. For ourselves, we doubt it. The circumstances are very different. Still, we admit that the test of time is the only one which can finally decide the point. We should imagine that when intervention comes its course will be something of this kind. At first the United States troops will meet with an easy victory, for both sides are becoming exhausted, and there will be a large section of the population that will welcome the restoration of order, from no matter what quarter it comes. Very soon, however, upon this exhaustion will follow a new national rebellion of the kind with which Maximilian was confronted, intended to drive the hated foreigner out of the Republic. But such a national uprising will fail, though only after a bitter struggle. Then will come another period of quiet during which a demand will grow up in America to restore their independence to the Mexicans. Such restoration will be adopted in principle by the Government, but will only be applied piecemeal. To begin with, several of the States of the North, into which Americans will have poured during the military occupation, will petition to be made into a separate Republic or Republics. Their petitions will be granted, and ultimately those Republics will be admitted as new States into the American Union, while the Centre and South will be made into a Republic on the Cuban model, from from which the United States troops will be withdrawn, a treaty being made giving America supervision over the foreign relations of the so-called independent nation. In another generation more leaves of the artichoke will be eaten, till at last all Mexico will be absorbed into a Republic, which, fifty years hence, will have an English-speaking population of two hundred millions. Probably before that, however, the small Central American Republics down to the great Panama "ditch" will have passed under the control of the United States. We do not doubt that from the Canal to the Canadian frontier the Republic will in the end hold an undivided sway save for the tiny "enclave" of British Honduras.

If they do their job well on the spot and if it is entrusted to General Leonard Wood it will certainly be done well and wisely and in a truly liberal spirit—the English people will not be merely friendly in the diplomatic sense, but sincerely sympathetic. They will be proud of America's successful shouldering of this huge piece of the white man's burden.

GASOLINE FROM NATURAL GAS IN ALBERTA?

A few months ago a "white oil" was struck in an oil well at Black Diamond near Okotoks, Alberta. It consisted largely of gasoline of such purity that it has been successfully used in its raw state for driving an automobile. At a higher horizon in this well, a flow of 2,000,000 cubic feet of gas per day was obtained.

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The above consideration suggest that the possibility of manufacturing gasoline from the natural gas, which occurs in such enormous quantities in Alberta, is a matter well worthy of investigation. There would undoubtedly be a large market for the gasoline produced, and after its extraction the residual gas would be rich in methane and ethane and have a high heating value.

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8	42	22	6, 6, 6, 6, 6, 6, 6	.26	.28	.29
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EXPORTS SHOW INCREASE

Canada's Domestic Produce Shipments Advanced Over Twenty-eight Per Cent.

A despatch from Ottawa says: During the nine-months' period ending Dec. 31, 1913, the total trade of Canada showed an advance of 10 per cent. upon the trade of the corresponding period of the year before. According to the figures issued by the Department of Customs Friday, the total trade, excluding exports of foreign products and imports other than those of domestic consumption, from April 1 to Dec. 31, 1913, was $857,856,893, as against $779,587,058 in 1912, the increase being $78,269,835.

The great increase was in exports. During 1913 the total exports were $388,707,375, as against $307,525,768. Of the exports, $359,115,658 were of domestic produce, as against $278,652,157, the increase thus being $80,463,501, or over 28 per cent.

Imports entered for consumption showed a slight decrease, standing at $498,741,512, as against $500,934,901 in 1912. Dutiable goods showed a drop of nearly $3,000,000, from $326,417,953 in 1912 to $323,434,277 in 1913. Free goods, on the other hand, increased by nearly $1,000,000, from $174,516,948 to $175,307,235.

PRICES OF FARM PRODUCTS

REPORTS FROM THE LEADING TRADE CENTRES OF AMERICA.

Prices of Cattle, Grain, Cheese and Other Produce at Home and Abroad.

Breadstuffs.

Toronto, Jan. 27.—Flour—Ontario wheat flour, 90 per cent., $3.65, seaboard, and at $3.50, Toronto. Manitoba—First patents, in jute bags, $5.30; do., seconds, $4.80; strong bakers', in jute bags, $4.60.

Manitoba wheat—Lake ports, No. 1 Northern, 98 1-2c, and No. 2, 93 3-4c, track, Goderich. All rail, No. 1 Northern, $1; No. 2, 98 1-2c.

Ontario wheat—Prices of No. 2 are 86 to 87c, outside, and 91 to 92c on track, Toronto.

Oats—No. 2 Ontario oats, 34 1-2 to 35c, outside, and at 38 to 38 1-2c, on track, Toronto. Western Canada oats, 40 1-2c for No. 2, and at 30c for No. 3, Bay ports.

Peas—$1 to $1.05, outside.

Barley—Good malting barley, 54 to 55c, outside.

Corn—New No. 2 American, 71 1-2c, all rail, Toronto.

Rye—No. 2 at 63 to 63 1-2c, outside.

Buckwheat—No. 2 at 73 to 75c, outside.

Bran—Manitoba bran, $22 to $22.50 a ton, in bags, Toronto freight. Shorts, $24 to $24.50, Toronto.

Country Produce.

Butter—Choice dairy, 23 to 24c; inferior, 20 to 21c; farmers' separator prints, 24 to 26c; creamery prints, 30 to 31c; solids, 27 to 29c; storage prints, 27 to 28c; solids, 26 to 26 1-2c.

Eggs—Case lots of new-laid, 40 to 42c per dozen; selects, 36 to 37c, and storage, 34 to 35c per dozen.

Cheese—New cheese, 14 1-2 to 14 3-4c for large, and 15c for twins.

Beans—Hand-picked, $2.20 to $2.25 per bushel; primes, $2.10.

Honey—Extracted, in tins, 11 to 12c per lb. for No. 1; combs, $3 to $3.25 per dozen for No. 1, and $2.40 to $2.50 for No. 2.

Poultry—Fowl, 11 to 12c per lb.; chickens, 16 to 17c; ducks, 13 to 15c; geese, 14 to 15c; turkeys, 19 to 22c.

Potatoes—Ontario, 80c per bag, on track, and Delawares at 80 to 85c, on track, in car lots.

Provisions.

Bacon—Long clear, 15 to 16c per lb., in case lots. Pork—Short cut, $28.50; do., mess, $24.50. Hams—Medium to light, 18 1-2 to 19c; heavy, 17 1-2 to 18c; rolls, 15 to 15 1-2c; breakfast bacon, 18 to 19c; backs, 22 to 24c.

Lard—Tierces, 14 1-4c; tubs, 14 1-2c; pails, 14 3-4c.

Baled Hay and Straw.

Baled hay—No. 1 at $14.50 to $15 a ton, on track here; No. 3 quoted at $13 to $13.50, and mixed at $12 to $12.50.

Baled straw—Car lots, $8.50 to $8.75, on track, Toronto.

Winnipeg Grain.

Winnipeg, Jan. 27.—Cash—WheatNo. 1, Northern, 85 1-4c; No. 2 Northern, 83 1-2c; No. 3 Northern, 81 1-4c; No. 4, 76c; No. 5, 70c; No. 6, 65c; feed, 60c; No. 1 rejected seeds, 80 1-2c; No. 2 rejected seeds, 78 1-2c; No. 3 rejected seeds, 76c; No. 1 smutty, 80 1-2c; No. 2 smutty, 78 1-2c; No. 3 smutty, 76c; No. 1 red Winter, 85 1-4c; No. 2 red Winter, 83 1-2c; No. 3 red Winter, 81 1-4c. Oats—No. 2 C.W., 32 3-8c; No. 3 C.W., 31 1-2c; extra No. 1 feed, 31 3-4c; No. 1 feed, 31 1-4c; No. 2 feed, 30 1-2c. Barley—No. 3, 41 1-4c; No. 4, 40c; rejected, 38c; feed, 37 1-2c. Flax—No. 1 N.W.C., $1.27; No. 2 C.W., $1.24; No. 3 C.W., $1.11.

Montreal Markets.

Montreal, Jan. 27.—Corn—American No 2 yellow, 73c. Oats—Canadian Western, No. 2, 42c; do., No. 3, 41c; extra No. 1 feed, 39 1-2c. Barley—Manitoba feed, 48 to 50c; malting, 64 to 66c. Buckwheat—No. 2, 56 to 57c. Flour—Manitoba Spring wheat patents, firsts, $5.40; do., seconds, $4.80; strong bakers', $4.70; Winter patents, choice, $4.75 to $5; straight rollers, $4.50 to $4.60; do., in bags, $2 to $2.10. Rolled oats—Barrels, $4.40 to $4.50; bag of 90 lbs., $2.10 to $2.12 1-2. Millfeed—Bran, $22; shorts, $24; middlings, $26 o $27; mouillie, $28 to $29. Hay—No. 2, per ton, car lots, $14 to $14.50. Cheese—Finest westerns, 13 7-8 to 14c; do., easterns, 13 1-4 to 13 3-4c. Butter—Choicest creamery, 28 1-2 to 29c; seconds, 25 1-2 to 27c. Eggs—Fresh, 42 to 45c; selected, 35c; No. 1 stock, 30c; No. 2, do., 25c. Potatoes—Per bag, car lots, 75 to 80c.

United States Markets.

Minneapolis, Jan. 27. — Wheat — May, 87 3-4 to 87 7-8c bid; July, 89 3-8 to 89 1-2c bid. Cash—No. 1 hard, 89 7-8c; No. 1 Northern, 86 3-8 to 88 7-8c; No. 2, do., 83 7-8 to 85 7-8c; No. 3 wheat, 81 7-8 to 83 7-8c. Corn—No. 3 yellow, 56 1-2 to 57c. Oats—No. 3 white, 35 3-4 to 36c. Flour—Fancy patents, $4.55; first clears, $3.35; second clears, $2.50. Bran, $22.

Duluth, Jan. 27.—Wheat—No. 1 hard, 87 1-4c; No. 1 Northern, 86 1-4c; No. 2, do., 84 1-4c; Montana No. 2 hard, 84 1-4 to 84 3-4c; May, 88 1-4 to 88 3-8c; July, 89 3-4c. Linseed—$1.50 5-8; January, $1.49 1-8; May, $1.53.

Live Stock Markets.

Toronto, Jan. 27.—Butchers' cattle—Good to choice steers from $7.75 to $8.50; medium, $7 to $7.25, and common, $5.75 to $6.75. Heifers—Good to choice, $7.75 to $8.25; medium to good, $6.50 to $7.75. Butcher cows and bulls—Butcher bulls, choice, ranged from $6.75 to $7.50; good from $6.25 to $6.75; and medium from $5.75 to $6.25, while common brought $4.75 to $5.75. Butchers' choice cows ranged from $6.50 to $7.25; good from $6 to $6.50; medium from $5.50 to $6; common from $4.75 to $5.50; cutters from $4.25 to $4.75; and canners from $3.75 to $4.25. Stockers and feeders—Good stockers, $6.50 to $7; feeders, $6.75 to $7.50. Milkers and Springers sold at $60 to $105 each for good offerings. Calves—Best calves brought $9.50 to $11; medium from $7 to $9.50; common from $5 to $6. Sheep and lambs—Light sheep ewes ranged from $6.25 to $6.75; heavy sheep and bucks from $5.25 to $6.25; culls from $2.50 to $5; lambs brought from $9 to $9.50, bucks off. Swine—Hogs went at $8.65 to $8.85 on board cars at country points, $9 to $9.20 fed and watered, and at $9.25 off cars.

Montreal, Jan. 27.—Extra choice steers, $9.75; choice butchers' steers, $8.25 to $8.50; do., extra good, $7.75 to $8; do., good, $7.25 to $7.50; do., fair, $6.75 to $7; butchers' bullocks, good, $7 to $7.25; do., poor to medium, $4 to $6.75; butcher cows, good, $6.75 to $7; do., fair, $6.25 to $6.50; do., medium, $5.75 to $6; do., common, $5.25 to $5.50; do., poor, $4.50 to $5; sheep, $5.25 to $5.35; lambs, per cwt., $8 to $8.25; hogs, selects, easterns, $9.75; do., sows, $7.75; do., stags, $5 to $5.50; do., westerns, per cwt., $9.35 to $9.50; calves, according to size and quality, $3 to $15.

Mail service by Atlantic steamers will very shortly be improved, the Postmaster-General announced.

Fire which gutted the Canadien Athletic Club gymnasium at Montreal, resulted in $100,000 property loss.

Twenty-six new detachments of the Royal Northwest Mounted Police were added to the force last year.

CONFESSION OF CONSTABLE

Personally Gave Rope and Revolver to Murderer to Aid His Escape From Prison

A despatch from Winnipeg says: Constable Robert Reid, of the city force, one of the two officers guarding John Krafchenko when he escaped, made a full confession on Wednesday before the Royal Commission, and implicated Percy Hagel, the lawyer, John Buxton and John Westlake. Constable Flowers, his fellow guard, he clears of all suspicion. Reid had formerly withstood a seven-hour grueling before the commission which seemingly had justified him, but he completely reversed his sworn statements.

In the witness box Reid told how he personally had given the rope, key and revolver to Krafchenko two days before the escape, while the back of Flowers, the other guard, was turned. The loosened bars in the window, he said, had been tampered with while Ryan, the day guard, was asleep in the cell. The constable stated further that all the arrangements for the escape were made in the office of Percy Hagel, Krafchenko's counsel, where Krafchenko had sent him to see Hagel. He said he did not know what had induced him (Reid) to help Krafchenko. Buxton had given the gun to Reid in Hagel's office, and the number had been filed off in Hagel's presence. Hagel had told him that Westlake, who was to hide Krafchenko after his escape, could be trusted to do so without "squealing." Hagel, he said, had gone to Plum Coulee to get $400 to handle the case. He did not know whether he got it or not.

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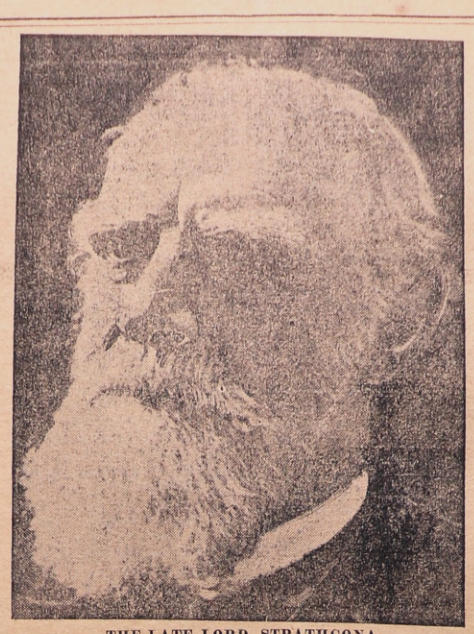

THE LATE LORD STRATHCONA.

STRATHCONA WAS WEALTHY

Estimated that the Late High Commissioner's Holdings Was About $80,000,000

A despatch from Quebec says: The death of Lord Strathcona will have a material effect on the revenue of the province for the current year. It is understood that the immense holdings of the late High Commissioner will fall under the succession law of Quebec, and calculations are easily made that the revenue from the estate will amount up to millions of dollars. It is said it was anticipated that the value of the holdings was about $80,000,000, and, if so, the succession dues at eight per cent. would amount to $6,400,000. This amount will very likely be modified when the value of the estate in Quebec is known, as this very point has arisen over the judgment of the Privy Council in the Cotton case. At all events, the province is expecting to benefit to the extent of several millions by the decease of Lord Strathcona.

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COLD WEATHER IN FRANCE.

Still From Ten to Twenty Degrees of Frost.

A despatch from Paris says: The extraordinary cold experienced here during the past four weeks, and which still shows no signs of abating, has caused the prices of food in Paris to rise from fifty to six hundred per cent. above the ordinary. Potatoes bring nearly double their usual price, while fresh vegetables cost from four to six times their regular prices. The old inhabitants recall the siege prices. Railway communications have been interrupted by snow, it being from two to four feet deep in some places. In central and southern France the temperature ranges from 10 to 20 degrees below freezing, Fahrenheit.

$126,000,000 SPENT.

Annual Report of Transcontinental Railway Commission.

A despatch from Ottawa says: The annual report of the Transcontinental Railway Commission, brought down in the House on Thursday, shows a total expenditure of $126,000,000. The amount spent last year was $14,000,000, as against $20,000,000 the year before. The New Brunswick section was under operation during the year, and produced a revenue of $32,000. The cost of operation of this section was $36,000.

FATAL ACCIDENT AT COBALT.

Cobalt Lake Mining Company's Foreman Killed.

A despatch from Cobalt says: William E. Janes, 40, was instantly killed here by a falling derrick striking him on the head. Janes was the foreman employed by the Cobalt Lake Mining Company to superintend the work of deepening the rock cut, through which the water from the lake is to flow when the draining is commenced. The accident was caused by one of the guy ropes giving away. Janes was a native of Newfoundland. He leaves a wife, who is at present on a visit to Nova Scotia.

NO SIGN OF FOUL PLAY.

Man Found Frozen to Death Near Lumber Camp.

A despatch from Port Arthur says: Apparently overcome by a fit while walking from the Russell Company's camp at Pearl to the station, William Lownsborough, aged thirty-one, was found frozen to death on Thursday. The body was lying undisturbed, with no signs of foul play.

FRIENDLY TIP.

Restored Hope and Confidence.

After several years of indigestion and its attendant evil influence on the mind, it is not very surprising that one finally loses faith in things generally.

An Eastern woman writes an interesting letter. She says:

"Three years ago I suffered from an attack of peritonitis which left me in a most miserable condition. For over two years I suffered from nervousness, weak heart, shortness of breath, could not sleep, etc.

"My appetite was ravenous but I felt starved all the time. I had plenty of food but it did not seem to help. I got discouraged, stopped medicine and did not care much whether I lived or died.

"One day a friend asked me why I didn't try Grape-Nuts food, stop drinking coffee and use Postum. I had lost faith in everything, but to please my friend I began to use both, and soon became very fond of them.

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"My husband and I are still using Grape-Nuts and Postum."

Name given by Canadian Postum Co., Windsor, Ont. Read, "The Road to Wellville," in pkgs. "There's a Reason."

Ever read the above letter? A new one appears from time to time. They are genuine, true, and full of human interest.

CANADA'S DEBT TO BRITAIN

A Trade Balance in the Mother Country's Favor of £72,000,000

A despatch from London says: Sir Edward Holden, the famous banking authority, made an important speech on Thursday on international finance and currency. After dealing with the position of France Sir Edward referred at some length to Canada, the United States, and India.

Canada, he said, has borrowed from London during the last three years about £120,000,000. During 1913 she borrowed about £44,000,000. Her imports during 1913 amounted to about £137,000,000 sterling, and the interest which she has to pay in respect to the money borrowed approximates at least £15,000,000. Her exports for the year amounted to about £80,000,000, therefore after paying for her imports with her exports she had to provide the sum of about £72,000,000. As her borrowings in this market have amounted to about £44,000,000, the balance of her indebtedness for which provision has been made amounts to about £28,000,000 sterling. Judging from these facts it would appear, in Sir Edward's opinion, to be obviously the duty of Canada to go slowly, spend less and borrow less, but it would be a mistaken policy for investors in this country to button up their pockets against further Canadian loans, so long as the securities are of a first-class character.

TWO MEN SHOT IN CHICAGO.

The Italian Quarter in That City Is a Bad Place.

A despatch from Chicago says: A feud in the Italian quarter on the North Side claimed two more lives on Thursday night. While the police were searching for the assassins of Joseph Portuguese, who was shot down at Milton Avenue and Hobbie Street, they were startled by two gunshot wounds. Hurrying to the corner, they found R. Depenza, proprietor of a small bank, dying at almost the same spot where Portuguese was slain. During the last two years eleven murders have been committed in the block.

SERIOUS STRIKE IN LONDON.

10,000 Coal Porters Out and No Fuel Being Delivered.

A despatch from London, England, says: Ten thousand coal porters in London went on strike for higher pay on Wednesday. Practically no coal was delivered in the city, which is in the midst of the longest and worst cold snap of many years. It will take only a couple of days to cause great misery in thousands of homes where coal is bought daily, only a bucketful at a time. Porters who are paid 18 cents a ton for handling coal, are demanding an increase of two cents a ton and other concessions, which it is estimated, will practically raise the pay seven cents more.

AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE.

Attendance at the Institution This Winter Is 886.

A despatch from Guelph says: The attendance at the Ontario Agricultural College and Macdonald Institute is now 886, divided as follows: Macdonald Institute (regular course), 140; O. A. College (regular course), 430. Short courses—Stock and seed judging, 135; beekeeping, 77; poultry, 38; dairying, 51; mutual training and special subjects, 13.

NITROGEN FROM AIR.

Concession Granted by the Newfoundland Government.

A despatch from St. John's, Nfld., says: The extraction of nitrogen from the atmosphere on a large scale for use as fertilizer is the purpose of a concession just granted by the Colonial Government for the employment of Grand Falls in Labrador. The plans call for the development of one million horse-power from the falls to generate electricity.

Wanted.

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White Vaseline is the purest and best ointment for all family uses. Keeps skin soft and smooth.

Sore throat, cold in chest, toothache, etc., is quickly relieved by Capsicum Vaseline. Apply externally.

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Our "Vaseline" booklet is full of interesting "home hints" and practical information. Free, post-paid. Write to-day.

Druggists everywhere sell "Vaseline," made only by the

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A MOTHER'S DUTY TO HER DAUGHTER

Is to Guard Her Health by Keeping Her Blood Supply Pure.

Anxious mothers who see their daughters fail in strength, become pale and languid, can be certain that the cause of their anxiety is the condition of the growing girl's blood. At no time in her life does a girl stand in greater need of pure, red blood and the strength which it alone can give her, than when she is developing into womanhood. It is then that anaemia rapidly develops and the growing girl finds herself in declining health. If your daughter complains of feeling constantly tired, if her appetite is fickle, if she is breathless from slight exertion, or if her heart palpitates violently on going upstairs, it is a certain sign that her blood is failing to meet the demands upon it, because it is thin and watery. It is at such times that Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People are worth their weight in gold to tired anaemic girls. They actually make the new, red blood, that brings brightness to the eye, the bloom of health to the cheeks, and strength and activity to the whole body. The following is an instance of their value to young girls: Miss Hilda Pearl Snowe, Barrington, N.S., gradually drooped under an attack of anaemia. At first she was pale and listless, suffering from occasional headaches, but as the trouble progressed, a severe cough also attacked her, and her friends feared she was in the grip of consumption. Almost from the outset she was being treated medically, but with no apparent benefit. At a critical stage in her illness Miss Snowe wisely decided that she would give Dr. Williams' Pink Pills a trial. After taking them for some time there was a noticeable improvement in her case, and the Pills were gladly continued until she was fully restored to health. Miss Snowe is to-day as healthy and rugged as any girl could wish to be, and her friends believe that Dr. Williams' Pink Pills saved her life.

These Pills not only cure anaemia, but all troubles due to poor blood and weak nerves. Sold by all medicine dealers or by mail at 50 cents a box or six boxes for $2.50, from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

WHITES POOR PEARL DIVERS.

Six Tried in Australia Died or Were Paralyzed.

Efforts have recently been made to employ white men as pearl divers off the coast of Australia, and legislation for the purpose has been adopted, in order to more fully open that industry to Europeans.

But it now appears that the experiment has been by no means satisfactory. A very interesting statement on this subject has recently been made by Captain Talboys, who has had wide experience of pearling on the Australian coast. He says emphatically that white divers are an impossibility.

He had hoped that the white man would have proved a successful diver, but he says that after a very lengthy experiment, the idea had been abandoned.

The divers, six or eight of them, who were brought to Australia by the master pearlers from Siebe, Gorman and Co. and Kenkie and Co., submarine engineers, about two years ago, were all either dead or paralyzed.

In view of the further facts alleged, there appears to be no scope for white pearl divers in Australian waters. For, as the result of a year's diving, says Captain Talboys, the best returns of the white divers did not exceed a ton, while the average yield of an Asiatic's work was between four and five tons.

Besides the Asiatic worked for $10 to $15 per month, plus a commission on the shell raised, while the white man received $70 per month, with a similar commission, in addition to which the cost of keep for the white man was about three times that expended on the Asiatic.

Paw Knows Everything.

Willie—"Paw, where do forest fires start?"

Paw—"In mountain ranges, my son."

Death Nearly Claimed New Brunswick Lady

Was Restored to Her Anxious Family When Hope Had Gone.

St. John, N.B., Dec. 15th.—At one time it was feared that Mrs. J. Grant, of 3 White St., would succumb to the deadly ravages of advanced kidney trouble. "My first attacks of backache and kidney trouble began years ago. For six years that dull gnawing pain has been present. When I exerted myself it was terribly intensified. If I caught cold the pain was unendurable. I used most everything, but nothing gave that certain grateful relief that came from Dr Hamilton's Pills of Mandrake and Butternut. Instead of being bowed down with pain, to-day I am strong, enjoy splendid appetite, sleep soundly. Lost properties have been instilled into my blood—cheeks are rosy with color, and I thank that day that I heard of so grand a medicine as Dr. Hamilton's Pills."

Every woman should use these pills regularly because good health pays, and it's good, vigorous health that comes to all who use Dr. Hamilton's Mandrake and Butternut Pills.

A NEW CLYDE RECORD.

Astonishing Figures in Shipbuilding for 1913.

As a shipbuilding centre the Clyde still leads the world. In the year just ended it has far surpassed all its previous records of tonnage and horse power. The year 1912 was the best ever then known on the Clyde, but the year 1913 shows an increase of nearly 20 per cent. on the work of the previous twelve months, says the Glasgow Herald. The figures are astonishing. The Clyde yards have launched 374 vessels with a tonnage of 764,784 and an indicated horse power of 1,117,490. Our twenty miles of river have produced more than a third of the whole new tonnage of the world in that year. There are a few yards in England and Germany that are larger than any to be seen on the Clyde, but we have a greater number of large and busy yards than are to be found in any other part of the world. The Clyde alone builds more ships than Germany, and probably twice as many ships, reckoned in tonnage as America. Here we need only call attention to the central fact that the Clyde's great industry has, in the year now closing, become greater still. The yards have built every kind of vessel, from H.M.S. Tiger down to a destroyer, from the Cunard Aquitania, largest of British vessels, down to whole fleets of dredgers and launches, and customers have come from every part of the world. It is, however, important to note that a third of the vessels launched, representing 70 per cent. of the tonnage, were screw steamers, and that most of these are cargo tramps, the unpretentious carriers of the bulk of the world's commerce. The Clyde profits much by its numerous orders for warships, but these, after all, form only a small part of the Clyde's work. Our shipbuilders depend mainly on the commercial shipowners, and the industry is solidly based on the requirements of trade, not of war. There is nothing abnormal in the year's output. Though it is by far the largest yet recorded it represents the cumulative efforts of the two generations of enterprise, skill, and hard work which have made the Clyde what it is.

Trying Him Out.

Quite recently an old friend of the Browns went to see them at their new country home. As he approached the house a large dog ran out to the gate and began barking at him through the fence.

As he hesitated about opening the gate, Brown's wife came to the door and exclaimed: "How do you do! Come right in. Don't mind the dog."

"But won't he bite?" exclaimed the friend, not anxious to meet the canine without some assurance of his personal safety.

"That's just what I want to find out," exclaimed Mrs. Brown. "I just bought him this morning."

SAFE AND SURE FOR LITTLE ONES

Baby's Own Tablets are a safe and sure medicine for little ones. They never fail to regulate the bowels, sweeten the stomach and cure all the minor ills of babyhood. Concerning them Mrs. Duncan Joy, Vancouver, B.C., writes: "I always keep Baby's Own Tablets in the house and give them to my little one whenever needed, as I think them the safest and surest remedy a mother can give her children." The Tablets are sold by medicine dealers or by mail at 25 cents a box from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

Giving Her Away.

"Uncle, we want you to give the bride away."

"Very well. I'll announce to the gathered assembly that she's thirty-two."

The publisher of the best Farmer's paper in the Maritime Provinces in writing to us states:

"I would say that I do not know of a medicine that has stood the test of time like MINARD'S LINIMENT. It has been an unfailing remedy in our household ever since I can remember, and has outlived dozens of would-be competitors and imitators."

Pointed Paragraphs.

It's easier to boast than make good.

People who drift with the tide make a poor landing.

One idea of a free thinker is a man who isn't married.

Encourage kindness—even if you have to practice on yourself.

When poverty comes in at the window it is getaway day for love.

Don't expect the world to laugh with you if you are laughing at the world.

If the front parlor is clean a girl is apt to think the whole house is all right.

A married man always says he is glad of it—but he seldom attemps to prove it.

If men had the gift of second sight there would be fewer cases of love at first.

On their wedding day a man will readily agree to gratify his wife's smallest wish. Besides, the smaller the wish the easier it is to gratify.

Beneficial to Both

"I had a long walk yesterday," said Boreman, as he collapsed into a seat at Busyman's desk.

"Take another, old man," suggested Busyman, "it'll do us both good."

Doctor Said He Had Diabetes

Dodd's Kidney Pills Cleared Out Every Trace of It.

That's Why Mr. David Heon, of Nicolet Co., Quebec, Is Recommending the Great Canadian Kidney Remedy To His Neighbors.

St. Wenceslas, Nicolet Co., Que., Jan. 26 (Special).—"I started to take Dodd's Kidney Pills because the doctor told me I was threatened with diabetes. After taking ten boxes I was again examined by the doctor, and he told me that all trace of diabetes had disappeared."

This is the statement of Mr. David Heon, well known and highly respected here, and he is only one of many in this neighborhood who have found a new lease of life in the great Canadian Kidney remedy.

It is cures such as this that have given Dodd's Kidney Pills their reputation. They are now known from the Atlantic to the Pacific as the remedy that never fails to cure kidney disease, no matter where or in what form it is found.

Dodd's Kidney Pills are no cure-all. They simply cure diseased kidneys. The reason they cure backache, dropsy, rheumatism, neuralgia, diabetes, urinary troubles and Bright's Disease is that all of these are either diseases of the kidneys or are caused by disordered kidneys failing to do their work.

Playing by System.

"They teach the children to play by rule now."

"Yes, a kid has to have a cook book to make a mud pie."

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY

Take LAXATIVE BROMO Quinine Tablets. Druggists refund money if it fails to cure. E. W. GROVE'S signature is on each box. 25c.

Conservation.

"Oh, Ethel, why don't you use your finger bowl?"

"What's the use o' wastin' this good jam, mother, when I can lick my fingers?"

Try Murine Eye Remedy

If you have Red, Weak, Watery Eyes or Granulated Eyelids. Doesn't Smart—Soothes Eye Pain. Druggists Sell Murine Eye Remedy, Liquid, 25c, 50c. Murine Eye Salve in Aseptic Tubes, 25c, 50c. Eye Books Free by Mail.

An Eye Tonic Good for All Eyes that Need Care

Murine Eye Remedy Co., Chicago

Use for Moving Pictures.

One of the good uses for moving picture films is for recording historic events. Not long ago the King of Roumania organized the production of a film of no less than 3,000 yards in length, this being a reproduction of the Roumanian-Russo-Turkish war which determined the independence of that country. The film will be kept in the archives of the realm. In order to carry this out, the army lent 8,000 men in uniform, with arms and baggage, led by officers. Another case is that of the Italian Government, which is collecting all the films taken during the war in Tripoli. In England the same thing is done for the films of the king's coronation events.

Minard's Liniment Cures Colds, Etc.

Study Economy.

The depletion of the family income is due to many errors in food economy. Because of lack of judgment excessive quantities of food are often prepared, and then too much food is eaten or thrown away. More often too much food is eaten, and an extra amount of work is put upon the already overburdened digestive apparatus, and a whole train of disease results. Many kitchen stoves are better fed than the family, because the housewife does not understand the principles of cooking economically. A needless amount of fuel is used by not planning the meals so as to cook the greatest number of dishes during the time that much fuel is needed for some particular work.

He Was Lucky.

"Did your husband have any luck on his hunting trip?"

"Splendid! Didn't you hear?"

"No, what was it?"

"He got back alive."

HACKING COUGH OF TWO MONTHS STANDING

Cured by Na-Dru-Co Syrup of Linseed, Licorice and Chlorodyne

You know how hard it is to get rid of a cough that has hung on for even two weeks, let alone two months. So you will appreciate what Na-Dru-Co Syrup of Linseed, Licorice and Chlorodyne did for Mr. Patrick Holland, of East Baltic, P. E. I. He says:

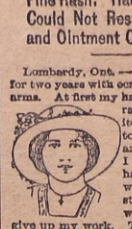
"I suffered from a hacking cough for over two months. I tried several remedies, but they failed to cure me. At last I tried Na-Dru-Co Syrup of Linseed, Licorice and Chlorodyne, and got such relief that I tried more, and after using three bottles was absolutely cured."

The unique, scientific combination of three such reliable remedies makes Na-Dru-Co Syrup of Linseed, Licorice and Chlorodyne the best preparation that that has ever been offered for all sorts of colds and coughs. Get a 25c or 60c bottle from your Druggist and see for yourself how effective it is. National Drug and Chemical Co. of Canada, Limited. 323

BURNING AND ITCHING ECZEMA

On Hands and Arms. Broke Out In Fine Rash. Had to Give Up Work. Could Not Rest. Cuticura Soap and Ointment Cured.

Lumberdy, Ont.—"I had been suffering for two years with eczema on my hands and arms. At first my hand broke out in a fine rash with a burning and itching that was hard to bear. The itching and burning were so bad I had to scratch till my hands and arms bled and were so sore I could not stand to put them in water. I also had to give up my work. Then it spread all over my arms. I could not rest at night as the bed clothes would irritate the eruption every time I would stir or move my hands.



"I tried two treatments giving each a fair trial but they failed to cure me. Then I saw the advertisement in the paper about Cuticura Soap and Ointment so I sent for a sample and I began to use them with very little faith, but to my surprise I found relief from the very first. I washed my hands in warm water with Cuticura Soap and dried them with a soft cloth, then I put the Cuticura Ointment on and bandaged them with soft cloth. I used two boxes of the Cuticura Ointment with the Cuticura Soap and used them steady for two months and they entirely cured me." (Signed) Mrs. Helena E. McCall, May 17, 1913.

A single cake of Cuticura Soap and box of Cuticura Ointment are often sufficient when all else has failed. Sold by druggists and dealers everywhere. Liberal sample of each mailed free, with 32-p. Skin Book. Address post-card Potter Drug & Chem. Corp., Dept. D, Boston, U. S. A.

AUTOMOBILES ON THE FARM.

A Necessity on a Farm of Several Hundred Acres.

Besides making itself indispensable to the Canadian farmer's pleasure, the automobile is playing an intensely practical part in his work. A business farmer, owning several hundred acres, says that the only way by which a large farm may be successfully managed is to travel over it continually, see that the men are doing the right work, and do less of it himself. By persistent touring of the farm its needs are recognized by him, and no intelligent farmer who sees his crops from day to day can fail to improve the methods of cultivation. Between January 1st and July 1st about 1,000 automobile licenses were issued in British Columbia. In Saskatchewan, to July 11th, about 1,730 had been issued. As automobiles are sold strictly on a cash basis these figures indicate, first, that the automobile is regarded as an asset by the business farmer and as a necessary part of the farm equipment, and, secondly, that the country districts are not suffering from financial stringency. Farms are commanding higher prices, the railroads are opening up new territory, and millions of acres are being brought under cultivation. These enormous changes, combined with good crops, have brought a feeling of security, and many farmers are following their neighbors' examples by purchasing automobiles for the farm.

Looked Like Intended Suicide.

The citizen who was brandishing a fierce looking razor says it wasn't suicide but corns he was thinking about. Needless to say his wife bought him Putnam's Corn Extractor and hid the razor—very wise, because Putnam's cures in 24 hours; try it, 25c. at all dealers.

With a Will.

He wooed the maiden with a will
And won her, though quite old;
For in the will he wooed her with
He left her all his gold.

PILES CURED IN 6 TO 14 DAYS

Your druggist will refund money if PAZO OINTMENT fails to cure any case of Itching, Blind, Bleeding or Protruding Piles in 6 to 14 days. 50c.

The man who is always boasting of his smartness or greatness never mentions his unpopularity.

Minard's Liniment Cures Diphtheria.

Mystery Cleared Up.

She walked in and banged a hunk of yellow substance on the counter. "This," she announced sarcastically, "is the soap that does the washin' itself. It's the soap that makes washin' a pleasure; it's the soap that—"

"That ain't soap, ma'am," interrupted the grocer, as he took the substance in his hand and examined it. "Your little girl was here yesterday for a half pound of cheese and half a pound of soap. That's the cheese."

"The cheese!" exclaimed the woman. "Then that accounts for the other thing. Why, I lay awake the whole night wondering what made the Welsh rabbit we had taste so queer."

Flowers, Fruit and Sunshine in January

and always, are to be found in California, the ideal wintering place, reached comfortably and conveniently by the Chicago, Union Pacific and North Western Line, via the fastest and most direct routes, amidst the luxurious surroundings of the compartment, club and observation parlor, or more moderate-priced and home-like Tourist car. Three splendid trains daily—The Overland Limited, fastest train to San Francisco; The Los Angeles Limited, three days to the Magic City of the Land of Sunshine, via Salt Lake City; and the San Francisco Limited. The Overland Route offers: Safety—Speed—Scenery and unexcelled dining car service—test it. Rates, illustrated matter and full particulars on application. B. H. Bennett, General Agent, 46 Yonge Street, Toronto, Ontario.

Perhaps It Was.

Angeline—"I wonder if I shall ever catch Edwin flirting?"

Mabel—"I always thought that was how you did catch him, dear."

Minard's Liniment Cures Distemper.

AT BALMORAL.

Old Highland Customs Are Still Kept Up.

At Balmoral, the beloved Highland home of Queen Victoria, the present King always enjoys seeing his tenantry and dependents happy, and encourages the keeping up of all old Highland customs, such as the torch-light dance of the keepers and ghillies, when the stags are brought home after a good day's stalking. Weirdly picturesque these dances are, held in front of the Castle, with the hills and woods and figures of the men fitfully lit up by the light of the blazing pine torches.

When Royalty is in residence at Balmoral on Hallowe'en the old customs pertaining to that day are always fully carried out. Bonfires blaze on many of the hills, and lighted torches are borne round the bounds of the various farms and homesteads to keep off the evil spirits supposed to be let loose on Hallowe'en. The effect is extremely pretty, when, from some elevated point of view, numbers of these torches can be see... flitting about the valley, while the fires are burning on the heights. After these ancient ceremonies, a servanta' ball is held, at which the Royalties present mingle freely with their humble guests, and a substantial supper brings the festivities to a close.

Proved by the Proprietor.

Stranger (in a strange restaurant)—"Look here, waiter, I can't eat this stuff. Take it back and bring me something decent."

Waiter—"Sorry, but that's the best we can do."

Stranger—"It is, eh? I'll show you. Where's the proprietor?"

Waiter—"Gone out to lunch."

Magic "Nerviline" Ends Stiff Neck, Lumbago

Any Curable Muscular or Joint Pain is Instantly Relieved by Nerviline.

GET TRIAL BOTTLE TO-DAY.

You don't have to wait all day to get the kink out of a stiff neck if you rub on Nerviline. And you don't need to go round complaining about lumbago any more. You can rub such things away very quickly with Nerviline. It's the grandest liniment, the quickest to penetrate, the speediest to ease muscular pain of any kind.

One twenty-five cent trial bottle of Nerviline will cure any attack of lumbago or lame back. This has been proved a thousand times, just as it was in the case of Mrs. E. J. Grayden, of Caledonia, who writes:—"I wouldn't think of going to bed without knowing we had Nerviline in the house. I have used it for twenty odd years and appreciate its value as a family remedy more and more every day. If any of the children gets a stiff neck, Nerviline cures quickly. If it is earache, toothache, cold on the chest, sore throat, Nerviline is always my standby. My husband once cured himself of a frightful attack of lumbago by Nerviline, and for a hundred ailments that turn up in a large family Nerviline is by far the best thing to have about you."

Always.

Somebody is always fooling the public and making money at it.

There is always somebody who is predicting an unusually severe winter.

Something is always about to be done to reduce the cost of living.

There is always somebody who will perform the ceremony when an eighteen-year-old-boy wants to get married.

Somebody is always trying to get something for nothing and being disappointed.

Something is always interfering with our plans to save money.

Many a poor tune is played on a good horn.

It takes a brave man to do a mean thing in the open.

PILES

You will find relief in Zam-Buk! It eases the burning, stinging pain, stops bleeding and brings ease. Perseverance, with Zam-Buk, means cure. Why not prove this? *All Druggists and Stores.—50c box.*

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FOR ALL SUMMER SORES.

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CANCER, TUMORS, LUMPS, ETC., internal and external, cured without pain by our home treatment. Write us before too late. Dr. Bellman Medical Co., Limited, Collingwood, Ont.

WANTED, LADIES TO DO PLAIN and light sewing at home, whole or spare time; good pay; work sent any distance; charges prepaid. Send stamp for particulars. National Manufacturing Company, Montreal.

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To introduce our wonderful new system of teaching note music by mail, Violin, Cornet, Guitar, Flute and Organ, will give you dainty instrument absolutely FREE and yearly fee to make you a player or no charge. Complete outfit FREE. Special offer to first pupil. Write at once. SUTHERLAND'S CORRESPONDENCE SCHOOL OF MUSIC, Dept. 87 Chicago, Ill.

DO YOUR STOCKINGS SHRINK from washing and hurt you? Do the children complain? The IDEAL STOCKING STRETCHERS make old stockings feel and wear like new, relieve tired feet, ease corns and save darning. Two sizes, adult and children's. 50c a pair by mail. I. E. YORK & Co., Waterford, Ont.

Grandmother Says:

The close intimacies of old age seem to consist in comparing gouts and rheumatiz

LIQUID SULPHUR

(IT IS NOT A PATENT MEDICINE.)

THE OLD WAY — THE NEW WAY

is 97 per cent. pure Sulphur, liquefied by a few other ingredients just as pure and healthful. You can use it safely and profitably as an ANTISEPTIC. Try it on that cold sore, or any other sore you may have. Leading nurses recommend it.

Price, 50 cents a bottle. For sale by all druggists, or if your druggist does not carry it remit direct to SULPHUR PRODUCTS, LIMITED, 158 Bay street, Toronto, and send us his name.

SULPHUR PRODUCTS

"Licks the Bucket Clean"

Blatchford's Calf Meal

As good as New Milk at half the Cost

100 pounds makes 100 gallons of Perfect Milk Substitute.

Send for pamphlet, "How to Raise Calves Cheaply and Successfully Without Milk."

At your Dealers or

STEELE, BRIGGS CO., Toronto, Ont., Canada.

"Do you find people generally pretty civil?" asked a life insurance agent of a debt collector. "Oh, yes, indeed," answered the latter; "they nearly always ask me to call again."

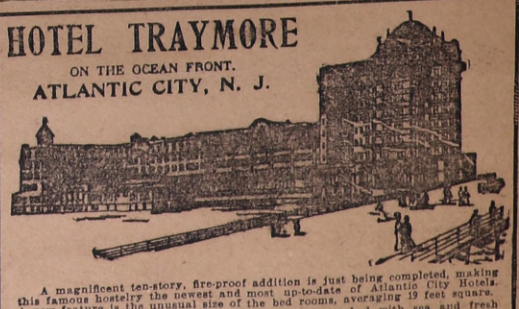
Minard's Liniment Cures Garget in Cows.

Some people are done out of their money, and other are dunned.

HOTEL TRAYMORE

ON THE OCEAN FRONT.

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J.



A magnificent ten-story, fire-proof addition is just being completed, making this famous hostelry the newest and most up-to-date of Atlantic City Hotels. A new feature is the unusual size of the bed rooms, averaging 19 feet square.

Every room commands an ocean view, bath attached with sea and fresh water. Chevaliglass in every chamber. Temperature regulated by Thermostats, the latest development in steam heating. Telephone in every room. Golf privileges. Capacity 600. Write for illustrated booklet.

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ELLIOTT'S BIG JANUARY SALE

Just a word af THANKS to our many Customers and Friends in Stirling and surrounding Country we desire to convey to you one and all our very kind Appreciation of Your Support in the past nine months, and wish you all a very happy and prosperous New Year. Coming into your town practically a stranger, I have every reason to feel proud of the patronage extended to me, and I feel I can attribute it to the fact that the people of Sterling and the country surrounding it are wide awake business people and are not slow to appreciate the fact of what a real up-to-date business store means in their town, and you can rest assnred I am here to serve you to the best of my ability at all times.

As we start to take Stock on the first day of February

and needing room for our NEW SPRING STOCK which will soon begin to arrive. We are going to give a

Grand Burst of Specials. Starting Saturday January 10

Great Sweeping Price Reductions on Ladies Coats and Suits

25 Ladies Coats in Tweeds, Checks, Diagonal cords and Blanket cloth. Regular $15. your choice while they last $ 6.98.

20 Ladies Coats some as high as $25. your choice of this lot for $8.98. All these Coats are of the latest styles and patterns.

2 Persian Lamb Coats with sable collars. beautifully lined with Black Satin, 27 inches long, sizes 34 x 36, your choice for $29.00.

1 only Ladies Persian Paw Coat, 34 inches long, size 36 regular $ 45. to clear at $26.50.

1 Ladies Fur lined Coat, shell of fine Black cloth sable collar, tailor made size 36 x 52 regular $65. for 50.

1 Ladies Fur lined Coat, shell of fine Brown cloth sable collar, size 38 x 50 regular 45 for $34. 50.

14 Ladies white all wool Sweaters, ranging in price from 1.75 to $3., odd ones slightly soiled clearing the lot at $1.00.

25 Ladies Sweaters in Cardinal, Blue, Tan and Red, odd ones as high as $3.25 they all go at $1.25.

22 Ladies Suits, regular $16.50 to $20.00 your choice while they last for $12.00 per suit. These suits are all handsomely tailor made coats beautifully satin lined. Sad to see them going at these prices, but we must have the room for Spring Stock.

45 Ladies Fur Stoles, Throws, Collars in Mink Marmot, Grey Squirrel, opposum, Grey Lamb, Persian Pow and Sable. Some are broken sets, clearing the lot at 25 per cent discount.

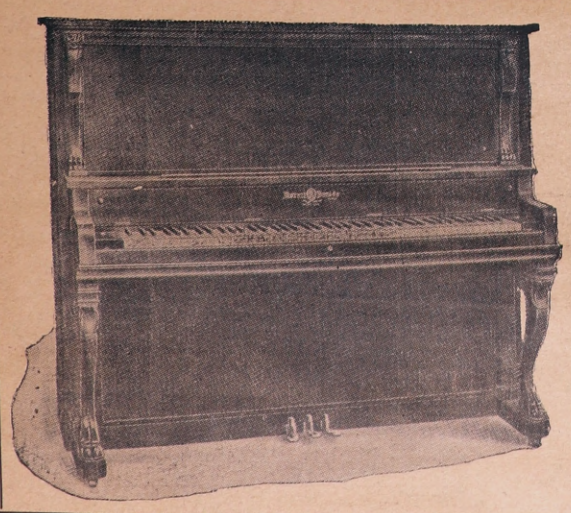
4 only Dinner Sets, Austrain China nice designs, unfortunately some of the pieces in these sets got broken, the knife goes in deep here and we are going to clear them up for $5.98 regularly sold for $15.00, only a cup or two short in some sets.

As Space will not permit, might say that Bargains will be found through every department.

Remember this Sale Starts on the 10th and Ends on the 31st Both Days Inclusive!

The Grand Piano Contest!

GET IN THE GAME



SAVE YOUR COUPONS

Great Enthusiasm is shown in this Contest as the time of closing draws nearer. On and after the 10th we are going to issue Trade Certificates to our Contestants, and for every Five dollar certificate purchased we will give 25000 votes on the Piano .Also for every dollar paid on account from the 10th to the 31st inclusive we will give 5000 votes.

Always bear in mind this fact, that while we are giving away absolutely free, a Gerard Heintzman Piano to the holder of the most votes at the end of the contest. No Individual or contestant is paying a fraction of a cent more for their goods purchased. Test it

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